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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE FEBRUARY 21ST MEETING OF THE LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. WE'LL FIRST BE
3 LED IN PRAYER BY PASTOR-- SENIOR PASTOR JON BARTA OF THE
4 VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH IN BURBANK, CALIFORNIA, AND STEVE MASK,
5 MEMBER OF THE WEST LONG BEACH POST NUMBER 251 OF THE AMERICAN
6 LEGION WILL THEN LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. SO IF
7 THE AUDIENCE WOULD PLEASE RISE. PASTOR?

8

9 **PASTOR JON BARTA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. PLEASE JOIN ME IN PRAYER.
10 LORD GOD ALMIGHTY, OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, YOUR GRACE IS
11 SUFFICIENT FOR US FOR YOUR POWER IS PERFECTED IN OUR WEAKNESS.
12 YOUR GRACE IS GREATER THAN ALL OUR SINS, WHICH WE CONFESS ARE
13 MANY. YOUR MERCY IS UPON GENERATION AFTER GENERATION TOWARD
14 THOSE WHO FEAR YOU, YOUR LOVING KINDNESSES NEVER CEASE, FOR
15 YOUR COMPASSIONS NEVER FAIL, THEY ARE NEW EVERY MORNING. YOU
16 HAVE PROMISED TO LEAVE US YOUR PEACE WHICH SURPASSES ALL
17 COMPREHENSION GUARDING OUR HEARTS AND OUR MINDS AND SO WE PRAY
18 THAT YOU WOULD RICHLY BESTOW THESE GIFTS OF YOUR GRACE, YOUR
19 MERCY AND YOUR PEACE UPON THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND UPON
20 THESE YOUR SERVANTS ESTABLISHED BY YOU FOR THE GOOD OF
21 EVERYONE UNDER THEIR AUTHORITY. THIS WE PRAY FOR YOUR GLORY
22 AND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF YOUR KINGDOM. AMEN.

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1 **STEVE MASK:** PLEASE, EVERYONE, FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT
2 HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
3 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PASTOR BARTA IS THE SENIOR PASTOR OF
6 THE VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH IN BURBANK. HE'S A GRADUATE OF THE
7 UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON. HE GREW UP IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON.
8 HE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA IN 1985 AND IS A GRADUATE OF THE TALBOT
9 SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S OF DIVINITY
10 IN 1992. HE, ALONG WITH BEING THE SENIOR PASTOR OF THE VALLEY
11 BAPTIST CHURCH, HE SERVES AS A VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN WITH MEDIA
12 FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL AND IS ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
13 THE AVENUE PREGNANCY CLINIC IN GLENDALE. IN ADDITION, HE
14 CONTRIBUTES A WEEKLY "IN THEORY" RELIGION COLUMN IN THE
15 "BURBANK LEADER" IN THE GLENDALE NEWS PRESS. HE IS MARRIED AND
16 HE HAS TWO CHILDREN. SO, PASTOR, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AND
17 LEADING US IN PRAYER. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. MR. CHAIRMAN, MAYOR, IT'S MY GREAT
22 PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE TO EVERYONE MR. STEVE MASK. STEVE IS A
23 RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AND CURRENTLY IS MEMBER OF
24 AMERICAN LEGION NUMBER 251 IN WEST LONG BEACH. STEVE SERVED 12
25 YEARS IN DESERT STORM AS A STAFF SERGEANT IN THE UNITED STATES



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1 MARINE CORPS. HE RECEIVED THE U.S. ARMY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL,
2 THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICES MEDAL, THE KUWAIT LIBERATION
3 MEDAL AND THE DESERT STORM MEDAL. HE WORKS AS A JOB DEVELOPER
4 FOR THE UNITED STATES VETERANS IN LONG BEACH, HE HAS FOUR
5 CHILDREN. WE REALLY APPRECIATE HIM TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS VERY
6 BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US AND LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF
7 ALLEGIANCE. STEVE, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA.

10

11 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** HONORABLE MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
12 WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 7. ITEM S-2, AT THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY
13 14TH, THE BOARD REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY
14 28, 2006, AT 11:00 A.M.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE SANITATION
20 DISTRICT, NUMBERS 27 AND 35.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
23 ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH
2 16, I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUESTS. UNDER ITEM 1, THE
3 NOMINATION OF WILLIAM A. SULLIVAN, QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY
4 COMMISSION, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO
5 CONTINUE THIS ITEM FOR ONE WEEK. ITEM 12, WE HAVE A REVISION
6 THAT WAS NOTED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND THE REST
7 ARE BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 17
13 THROUGH 19. WE HAVE A REQUEST TO HOLD ITEM 17 BY SUPERVISORS
14 YAROSLAVSKY AND KNABE. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER, WEIGHTS AND
20 MEASURES. ITEM 20.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE, SECONDED, WITHOUT
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24



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1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, ITEMS 21
2 THROUGH 24.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, ITEM 25.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 26. WE HAVE A
13 REQUEST, SUPERVISOR MOLINA WANTS TO BE RECORDED AS VOTING
14 "NO".

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SHE'S NOT HERE, SO MOTION BY BURKE.
17 SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 27 THROUGH 32. ON
20 ITEM 27, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT
21 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 28, 2006.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S ITEM 27 CONTINUED A WEEK?

24

25 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** YES, ONE WEEK, FEBRUARY 28TH.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND, ON ITEM 29, WE HAVE A REQUEST TO
5 HOLD THIS ITEM FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND A MEMBER OF THE
6 PUBLIC. AND ALSO SUPERVISOR KNABE IS REQUESTING A PORTION OF,
7 ACTUALLY, THE LAST TWO NEW AGREEMENTS FOR THE H.I.V./A.I.D.S.
8 RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE AND SKILLED NURSING FACILITY CONTINUED ONE
9 WEEK.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED.
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SO WE WILL JUST HOLD ITEM 29.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT.

17

18 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** NO. WE'LL JUST HOLD 29. INTERNAL
19 SERVICES, ITEMS 33 AND 34.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** MUSEUM OF ART, ITEM 35.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEM 36.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
7 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 37 THROUGH 54.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SHERIFF, ITEMS 55 THROUGH 57. ON ITEM
15 55, THE SHERIFF IS REQUESTING THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK
16 TO HIS OFFICE. ON ITEM 56, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. 57
17 IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 58, TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
25 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION, ITEM 59.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 60 AND
8 61. THESE ITEMS RELATED TO S-2 AND THERE'S A REQUEST THAT THEY
9 BE CONTINUED TO FEBRUARY 28, 2006, AT 11:00 A.M.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED.
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION, ITEM 62.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 63 IS BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY MOLINA. SECONDED. WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 64.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECONDED. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 65 IS A PUBLIC HEARING. IT WILL BE
5 HELD FOR THE MOMENT. ITEM 66 IS MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE
6 AGENDA REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
7 OFFICER WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
8 MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM
9 66-A.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY BURKE, SECONDED, WITHOUT
12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
15 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
16 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 3.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FIRST WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A
19 PRESENTATION THIS MORNING TO OUR FEBRUARY 2006 EMPLOYEE OF THE
20 MONTH. THAT'S ALLEN CASTELLANO, WHO HAS BEEN WITH THE COUNTY
21 OF LOS ANGELES 11 YEARS AS DEPUTY SHERIFF SERVING THE
22 COMMUNITIES OF PICO RIVERA AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE
23 WEST WHITTIER PORTION OF OUR COUNTY. HE HAS DIRECTED PATROL
24 PROGRAM AND HIS INTENSE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WEST WHITTIER
25 RESIDENTS HAVE ENABLED HIM TO MAKE 118 SUSPECT ARRESTS DURING



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1 THE LAST 12 MONTHS, WHICH IS AN EXTRAORDINARY RECORD. DUE TO
2 HIS HARD WORK AND DILIGENCE, HE HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS AWARDS,
3 INCLUDING 27 COMMENDATIONS FOR EXEMPLARY CONDUCT AND
4 APPLICATION TO DUTIES, NOMINATION FOR DEPUTY OF THE YEAR IN
5 2002 AND THE RESPECT FOR THE LAW AWARD IN 2005. HE'S BEEN
6 RECOGNIZED FOR HIS WORK IN DETERRING VEHICLE THEFT, WAS
7 SELECTED AS ONE OF 64 DEPUTY SHERIFFS WHO WERE PART OF THE
8 PRESIDENTIAL PROTECTION DETAIL FOR LAST JANUARY'S PRESIDENTIAL
9 INAUGURATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HE HOLDS A BACHELOR, A
10 MASTER'S OF ARTS DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION. HE'S ACTIVE
11 IN THE COMMUNITY AND SERVES AS THE MAYOR PRO TEM FOR THE CITY
12 OF YORBA LINDA ACROSS OUR COUNTY LINE. SO, ALLEN,
13 CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND WE WISH YOU GREAT
14 SUCCESS IN YOUR CAREER. [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **ALLEN CASTELLANO:** FIRST I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT I'M VERY HUMBLLED
17 TO BE HERE TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD TODAY. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE THE CAPTAIN OF THE PICO RIVERA
19 SHERIFF STATION, MIKE ROTHINS. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **ALLEN CASTELLANO:** NEXT TO CAPTAIN ROTHINS IS MY WIFE, LAURA,
22 WHO IS VERY SUPPORTIVE IN EVERYTHING I DO AND GIVING ME THIS
23 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **ALLEN CASTELLANO:** A BIG PART OF MY WORK TOOK PLACE IN THE
2 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF WEST WHITTIER, WHERE IT'S CHAIRED BY A
3 VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION CALLED THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
4 AND MISS VIVIAN OGEEN IS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THAT ORGANIZATION.

5 [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **ALLEN CASTELLANO:** AND THEN WE HAVE CAPTAIN BECERA. SHE IS THE
8 FORMER CAPTAIN OF PICO RIVERA SHERIFF'S STATION AND AN
9 ABSOLUTE SUPPORTER OF COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND A SUPPORTER OF
10 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **ALLEN CASTELLANO:** I JUST WANT TO RECOGNIZE TWO OTHER PEOPLE--
13 OR THREE OTHER PEOPLE. I HAVE MY MOTHER, GLORIA CASTELLANO,
14 AND MY FATHER, ALPHONSO CASTELLANO, AND MY MOTHER-IN-LAW,
15 NANCY KINE, IN THE BACK, ALONG WITH COUNTY LIEUTENANT CHRIS
16 REED. I APPRECIATE EVERYTHING. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS A
17 GREAT ORGANIZATION, IT'S ALLOWED ME TO PERFORM AND-- TO THE
18 LEVEL THAT I HAVE AND IT'S ALLOWED ME TO BE HERE TODAY TO BE
19 RECOGNIZED. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I ASKED
24 THE CHAIR IF WE COULD JUST TAKE UP, BEFORE WE GET TO THE
25 PRESENTATIONS, ITEM CS- WHAT NUMBER IS IT-- 2. AND I'D LIKE TO



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1 ASK MICHAEL GOVEN TO STEP FORWARD, IF HE WOULD. THIS IS-- WE
2 WERE GOING TO HOLD THIS IN CLOSED SESSION. I DON'T THINK IT'S
3 NECESSARY UNLESS THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WOULD CHOOSE TO BUT
4 THIS IS THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL GOVEN AS THE
5 DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART AND I WANT TO
6 MOVE THAT WE APPOINT MR. GOVEN TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF THE
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART IN THE SALARY OF \$124,600,
8 WHICH IS THE SALARY BEING DESIGNATED FOR THIS POSITION, THAT
9 THE COUNTY PORTION OF THE SALARY THAT WILL BE PAID, SO I SO
10 MOVE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
15 WELCOME.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU WANT TO SAY A WORD?

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MICHAEL LEFT A COLD NEW YORK TO COME
20 TO LOS ANGELES.

21

22 **MICHAEL GOVEN:** THE WEATHER IS BETTER HERE. THERE ARE MANY,
23 MANY, MANY CREATIVE PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY AND I LOOK FORWARD
24 TO WORKING WITH ALL OF THEM AND ALL OF YOU. THANK YOU VERY
25 MUCH.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE'RE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE YOU HERE. WE
3 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN PARTNERSHIP.
4 CONGRATULATIONS.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** WELCOME AND WE DO LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
7 YOU.

8

9 **MICHAEL GOVEN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** WELCOME.

12

13 **MICHAEL GOVEN:** THANK YOU ALL.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU HAVE
18 ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** PRESENTATIONS.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ADJOURNMENTS?

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** I GOT PRESENTATIONS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** STARTING WITH THE THIRD-- MAKE YOUR--
2 NO PRESENTATIONS. OKAY. FOURTH?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND
5 GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO WELCOME UP HERE A DEAR FRIEND,
6 DORIS WAHL AND-- SHE'S HERE. ALL RIGHT. DORIS JUST RECENTLY
7 RETIRED AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FOUNDER OF THE WHITTIER RIO
8 HONDO A.I.D.S. PROJECT AFTER 13 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE.
9 SHE FOUNDED THE AGENCY IN 1992, SHORTLY AFTER HER SON,
10 CHRISTOPHER, PASSED AWAY DUE TO COMPLICATIONS OF A.I.D.S.
11 THROUGH HER DILIGENT EFFORTS THESE PAST 13 YEARS, LITERALLY
12 THOUSANDS OF MEN AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN LIVING WITH H.I.V. AND
13 A.I.D.S. IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF WHITTIER AND THE
14 SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES OF THE SOUTHEAST AREA HAVE BEEN
15 ASSISTED WITH SUPPORT GROUPS, CASE MANAGEMENT, H.I.V. TESTING,
16 MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING AND FOOD PANTRIES. UNDER HER
17 LEADERSHIP IN 1994, THE CHRISTOPHER WAHL YOUTH CENTER IN WEST
18 WHITTIER WAS OPENED AND SERVES AS A SAFE HAVEN FOR YOUTH AND
19 WHERE THEY CAN GATHER AFTER SCHOOL, SOCIALIZE, LEARN SKILLS,
20 RECEIVE TRAINING OR JUST PLAY GAMES. SHE'S DEVOTED MUCH OF HER
21 TIME TO ADVOCATING FOR H.I.V./A.I.D.S. SERVICES AND FUNDING IN
22 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND WASHINGTON,
23 D.C. SO, ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES WE WANT TO WISH
24 HER THE VERY, VERY BEST FOR A GREAT RETIREMENT AND GOOD
25 HEALTH. I WOULD JUST IS THAT DORIS, AS IT RELATES TO THESE



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1 ISSUES, HAS BEEN A MENTOR FOR ME AND GOT ME INVOLVED IN THE
2 FIGHT TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT H.I.V. JUST DOESN'T STOP AT THE
3 405 FREEWAY, IT GOES OUT INTO ALL AREAS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY.
4 SHE'S BEEN A GREAT ADVOCATE. I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT, IN A
5 COUPLE WEEKS, SHE IS MY SELECTION AS THE FOURTH DISTRICT WOMAN
6 OF THE YEAR AT THE WOMEN'S COMMISSION LUNCHEON. SHE'S BEEN A
7 DEAR FRIEND AND WE WISH YOU THE VERY BEST DOWN IN THE DESERT.
8 CONGRATULATIONS, DORIS. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **DORIS WAHL:** I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY FOR
11 THIS WONDERFUL RECOGNITION. BUT I REALLY WANT TO THANK, THIS
12 IS HARD, DEAN DANA, WITH THE SUPPORT OF DON KNABE AND RICK
13 VELASQUEZ, 13 YEARS AGO, PUTTING THEIR FAITH, PUTTING THEIR
14 FAITH, TRUST AND MONEY IN ME TO DEVELOP THE WHITTIER RIO HONDO
15 A.I.D.S. PROJECT. WITHOUT THAT SUPPORT, WITHOUT THAT HELP,
16 THAT AGENCY WOULD HAVE NEVER, NEVER GROWN, NOR, I STILL
17 BELIEVE, WOULD THERE HAVE BEEN THE WONDERFUL SERVICES THAT ARE
18 PROVIDED EAST OF THE 605 FREEWAY. I ALSO WANT TO THANK RICHARD
19 ESPINOSA, WHO HAS BEEN A DEAR FRIEND AND SUPPORTER IN THE LAST
20 SEVERAL YEARS AS DEPUTY-- HEALTH DEPUTY FOR THE FOURTH
21 DISTRICT. I'M RETIRING. OH, I HAVE RETIRED. [LAUGHTER]

22

23 **DORIS WAHL:** I HAVE MOVED AWAY FROM THE AGENCY SO THAT I DON'T
24 GET IN THEIR WAY BECAUSE I HAVE LEFT THIS AGENCY TO SOME VERY
25 WONDERFUL YOUNG ADULTS, PROFESSIONAL AND WHO HAVE CAUGHT MY



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1 VISION FOR THE WHITTIER RIO HONDO A.I.D.S. PROJECT AND FOR THE
2 CHRISTOPHER WAHL YOUTH CENTER. SO NOW WHAT I GET TO DO IS SIT
3 BACK, WATCH THIS AGENCY GROW TO HEIGHTS THAT I COULD HAVE
4 NEVER DONE MYSELF AND JUST ACT LIKE THE MOTHER WHO IS SO PROUD
5 OF HER CHILDREN. AGAIN, I THANK YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
6 TODAY, FOR THIS HONOR AND FAREWELL TO ALL OF YOU AND ALSO
7 THANK MY LORD, WHO GAVE ME THE WISDOM AND THE UNDERSTANDING TO
8 EVEN DO WHAT I DID. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY MORE, DON? DO YOU HAVE
11 ANY MORE, DON?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** NO. THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL, THIS MORNING, WE WOULD LIKE TO
16 WELCOME TWO GOOD FRIENDS WHO HAVE DONE AN EXTRAORDINARY, EXTRA
17 FINE JOB FOR THE COUNTY'S LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT. IT'S A
18 HUSBAND AND WIFE TEAM, BARBARA HERRERA, WHO HAS SERVED THE
19 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR MORE THAN 31 YEARS IN THE OFFICE OF
20 THE ASSESSOR, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND FOR THE LAST 25
21 YEARS WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT-- FIRE
22 DEPARTMENT. HER LEADERSHIP, INSIGHT AND KNOWLEDGE HAS BEEN
23 INSTRUMENTAL IN MANY OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS,
24 INCLUDING A CONSOLIDATION OF SMALLER FIRE DISTRICTS IN TODAY'S
25 CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT. HER FORESIGHT AND



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1 DETERMINATION HAS SHAPED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S FUTURE SERVICES
2 BECAUSE OF HER WORK ON NEGOTIATIONS THAT SECURED THE FIRE
3 STATION SITES AND FUNDING FOR FUTURE FIRE FACILITIES AND
4 EQUIPMENT. HER HUSBAND, GILL, HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A
5 FIREFIGHTER IN MAY OF 1974 AND MOVED UP THROUGH THE RANKS
6 SERVING AS A FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC, FIREFIGHTER SPECIALIST,
7 CAPTAIN, BATTALION CHIEF, ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF, DEPUTY FIRE
8 CHIEF AND CHIEF DEPUTY. HIS EFFORTS WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN
9 DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S VITAL SAFE
10 SURRENDER BABY PROGRAM. HE'S A HIGHLY RESPECTED MEMBER OF THE
11 DEPARTMENT, A TRUE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CORE VALUES OF
12 INTEGRITY, TEAMWORK, CARING, COURAGE, COMMITMENT TO OUR
13 COMMUNITY. SO GILL AND BARBARA, THEY RESIDE IN ARCADIA, THEY
14 HAVE THREE CHILDREN AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, SO WE WISH THEM
15 BOTH SUCCESS IN THEIR RETIREMENT. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK
16 WITH THEM AND SERVING OUR DISTRICT OVER THE PAST 25 YEARS AND
17 WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THEM AS THEY DEVOTE THEIR TIME
18 TO OUR COMMUNITIES. BARBARA? [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, BEFORE HE SAYS ANYTHING, I JUST WANT TO
21 SAY TO GIL AS WELL, TOO, YOU MENTIONED IN YOUR COMMENTS HIS
22 EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE SAFE SURRENDER PROGRAM. WHAT AN
23 INCREDIBLE IMPACT THAT'S HAD ON THE LIVES HERE IN LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY AND THE NATION AS AN EXAMPLE, SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE
25 ALL YOUR EFFORTS AND THE HELP IN THE DISTRICT FROM AVALON, YOU



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1 NAME IT, SO WE APPRECIATE ALL OF IT. THANK YOU ALL AND GOD
2 SPEED TO BOTH OF YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **GIL HERRERA:** HONORABLE BOARD, I STAND BEFORE YOU WITH MIXED
5 FEELINGS. IT'S BEEN 31 YEARS PLUS, I'LL SPEAK FOR BARB A
6 LITTLE BIT, TOO, THAT WE'VE BEEN WITH THE COUNTY SERVICE. I,
7 ALL 31 YEARS WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND BARB, 26 OF HER 31
8 YEARS WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. IT'S BEEN VERY CHALLENGING AT
9 TIMES BUT VERY REWARDING, ALSO. BEING A PUBLIC SERVANT IS
10 SOMETHING THAT BOTH BARB AND I DID NOT TAKE VERY LIGHTLY,
11 WORKING WITH PROFESSIONALS SUCH AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
12 C.A.O., C.A.O.'S STAFF, BOARD DEPUTIES AND CERTAINLY EXECUTIVE
13 STAFF AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. IT'S
14 BEEN TRULY OUR PLEASURE TO WORK WITH THEM AND MAKE A TINY
15 DIFFERENCE OVER THE 31 YEARS OF MAKING L.A. COUNTY, THE
16 COMMUNITY, A MUCH BETTER PLACE TO LIVE WITH OUR LITTLE BIT OF
17 CONTRIBUTION. IT IS TIME FOR US TO RETIRE AND WE'RE LOOKING
18 FORWARD TO SPENDING MORE TIME WITH THOSE GRANDKIDS THAT
19 CERTAINLY DESERVE MORE OF OUR ATTENTION. SO THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH FOR HONORING US TODAY AND THIS PUBLIC RECOGNITION. THANK
21 YOU ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN.

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1 **CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, HONORABLE MAYOR,
2 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME
3 TO RECOGNIZE THE UNIQUE CONTRIBUTION OF THIS HUSBAND/WIFE
4 TEAM. TRULY, THEY HAVE MADE JUST REALLY TREMENDOUS
5 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE COUNTY THAT WE
6 ALL SERVE, SO WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR RECOGNITION. SELFISHLY, WE
7 HATE TO SEE THEM LEAVE BUT, ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, WE WISH THEM
8 THE VERY BEST. THEY'VE SERVED LONG AND THEY'VE SERVED WELL AND
9 WE WISH YOU THE BEST IN YOUR RETIREMENT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE
10]

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MEMBERS
13 OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO DEMONSTRATED QUICK COURAGE AND
14 QUICK THINKING IN STOPPING A ROBBERY ATTEMPT IN LANCASTER IN
15 LATE JANUARY. FIRST, WE WELCOME THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL
16 WHO HAVE COME THIS WAY TODAY TO HELP WITH THIS PRESENTATION:
17 FIRE CHIEF MICHAEL FREEMAN, FIRE CHIEF DEPUTY GILBERT HERRERA,
18 DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF STEVE LINDSEY, ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF MARK
19 BENNETT, BATTALION FIRE CHIEF CLIFTON MEREDITH AND BATTALION
20 CHIEF RAY BLACKBURN. AS CAPTAIN SWIFT AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE
21 LANCASTER STATION 130 ARRIVED AT THE VAUGHN'S GROCERY STORE ON
22 THE 40TH STREET WEST AND AVENUE L, THEY SAW TWO MALES RUNNING
23 OUT OF THE STORE WITH THE MANAGER IN PURSUIT. SO FIREFIGHTER
24 TERRY CROSBY CONFRONTED THE SECOND SUSPECT AND TACKLED HIM TO
25 THE GROUND. HE WAS IMMEDIATELY ASSISTED BY FIREFIGHTER COREY



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1 MILLS AND FIRE SPECIALIST TONYA BURNS, WHO HELPED CONTROL THE
2 PHYSICAL AGGRESSIVE SUSPECT. THE FIRST INDIVIDUAL OUT OF THE
3 STORE HAD CONTINUED TO RUN AWAY AND DID NOT OBEY THE CAPTAIN
4 SWIFT'S REQUEST TO HOLD HIS POSITION, SO CAPTAIN THEN
5 PROCEEDED TO TRACK HIM DOWN, THE FIRST SUSPECT ON FOOT, TAKING
6 HIM DOWN WITH THE HELP OF FIREFIGHTER ED ESTRADA, WHO HAD
7 COMMANDEERED A PRIVATE CITIZEN AND THEIR VEHICLE TO ASSIST THE
8 CAPTAIN. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT COMPLETED THE ARRESTS AND
9 BOTH SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH ROBBERY, THEFT AND
10 RESISTING ARREST. SO THE MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO WERE
11 INVOLVED AND THIS IS JUST ANOTHER INDICATION THE FIRE
12 DEPARTMENT HAS OUTSTANDING MEN AND WOMEN AND WHO DEVOTE THEIR
13 TIME, BOTH ON DUTY AND OFF DUTY, TO HELP THEIR COMMUNITY AND
14 PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY. SO LET ME FIRST GIVE THIS TO
15 CAPTAIN HAZMAT SPECIALIST JAMES SWIFT, 28-YEAR VETERAN OF THE
16 DEPARTMENT WHO RESIDES IN PALMDALE. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FIRE ENGINEER HAZMAT SPECIALIST TONYA
19 BURNS, 17 YEARS WITH THE DEPARTMENT. SHE RESIDES IN LANCASTER.
20 [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FIREFIGHTER HAZMAT SPECIALIST EDWARD
23 ESTRADA, 19-YEAR VETERAN WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND HE RESIDES IN
24 QUARTZ HILL IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. FIREFIGHTER HAZMAT



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1 SPECIALIST COREY MILLS, WHO IS AN 8-YEAR VETERAN WITH THE
2 DEPARTMENT WHO ALSO RESIDES IN QUARTZ HILL. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FIRE SPECIALIST HAZMAT TERRY LEE
5 CROSBY, FOUR YEARS WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND HE RESIDES IN
6 TEHACHAPI. [APPLAUSE]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** KATHY, DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?
9 BATTALION CHIEF? HOW ARE YOU?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** MR. MAYOR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK
12 YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO HONOR THESE FINE MEMBERS OF OUR
13 DEPARTMENT. WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THEM. EVEN THOUGH WE PRIDE
14 OURSELVES IN BEING AN ALL-RISK FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE MITIGATE
15 MOST THINGS AS FIRES, RESCUES AND SUCH BUT IT'S A NICE
16 TESTAMENT TO THE ABILITY OF THESE PROUD PROTECTORS OF LIFE AND
17 PROPERTY TO GO A LITTLE BIT BEYOND THE NORMAL BOUNDS OF OUR
18 JOB AND FELLOW SHERIFFS, WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF EXPANDING OUR
19 FOCUS ANY FARTHER BUT THANKS AGAIN FOR THE HONOR.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GROUP PICTURE. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE STEVEN MACDONALD, WHO IS
24 PRESIDENT OF FILM L.A. INCORPORATED WHO WILL JOIN THE BOARD AS
25 WE PROCLAIM FEBRUARY 22ND AS FILM L.A. DAY THROUGHOUT OR



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1 COUNTY. ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION IS ONE OF OUR COUNTY'S
2 LARGEST ECONOMIC BOOSTERS IN PROVIDING JOBS AND OPPORTUNITIES
3 FOR OUR PEOPLE. FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE ENTERTAIN INDUSTRY
4 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, THEY FACILITATE AN UNPRECEDENTED
5 VOLUME OF ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION WHILE BALANCING THE NEEDS
6 OF MOTION PICTURES, TELEVISION, AND COMMERCIAL PRODUCERS WITH
7 THE CONCERNS OF RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT. IN
8 2005, THEY COORDINATED NEARLY 55,000 ON-LOCATION PRODUCTION
9 DAYS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FOR MORE THAN A DECADE, FILM
10 L.A.'S OUTSTANDING SERVICE EMULATED BY FILM OFFICES THROUGHOUT
11 THE WORLD HAS HELPED OUR COUNTY RETAIN ITS STATUS AS THE
12 WORLD'S ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION CAPITAL. SO, ON BEHALF OF THE
13 BOARD, LET ME GIVE YOU THIS PRESENTATION, AND WISH YOU MANY
14 MORE YEARS OF SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE]

15
16 **STEVEN MACDONALD:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR
17 ANTONOVICH. I WANTED TO MAKE THREE QUICK THANK YOUS AND ONE
18 THANK YOU IS TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR
19 ONGOING SUPPORT OF THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IN LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY. AS THE MAYOR OF THE COUNTY NOTED, THE ENTERTAINMENT
21 INDUSTRY PROVIDES MORE THAN 250,000 JOBS TO THE REGION,
22 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, IT'S THE NUMBER 2 INDUSTRY BEHIND
23 INTERNATIONAL TRADE. THAT'S WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO, TRY AND HELP
24 KEEP LOCATION PRODUCTION IN LOS ANGELES AND IT'S A VERY
25 IMPORTANT DUTY. MY SECOND THANKS IS TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY



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1 FOR THE WORK THAT HE DID IN HELPING TO REFORM OUR
2 ORGANIZATION, A LOT OF HARD WORK. IT'S PAID OFF. WE'RE A SOLID
3 ORGANIZATION MOVING FORWARD, DOING THE RIGHT THING AND HELPING
4 COMPANIES NOTABLY KEEP THEIR PRODUCTION HERE IN LOS ANGELES.
5 MY THIRD THANK YOU AND MOST IMPORTANT IS TO THE MAYOR OF THE
6 COUNTY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, FOR HIS ONGOING SUPPORT FOR THE
7 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, HE'S BEEN AN ARDENT SUPPORTER OF OUR
8 ORGANIZATION. WE PLAY A SMALL BUT VERY IMPORTANT ROLE IN
9 KEEPING THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IN TOWN AND I MIGHT NEED TO
10 ADD THAT, RIGHT NOW, WE'RE FACED WITH AN UNPRECEDENTED
11 COMPETITION FROM OTHER STATES WHO ARE LURING PRODUCTION TO
12 THEIR STATES. THAT'S WHY IT'S EVEN MORE IMPORTANT NOW THAT WE
13 STICK TOGETHER AND DO WHAT WE CAN TO KEEP THESE JOBS AND
14 REVENUE IN THE REGION. WE KNOW WE HAVE SUPPORTERS HERE ON THE
15 BOARDS AND ESPECIALLY WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SO THANK YOU
16 VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR TODAY. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND NOW WE HAVE LITTLE BETTY, WHO A
19 LITTLE LABRADOR/CHOW MIX, WHO IS SIX WEEKS OLD. SHE HAD HER
20 HAIR PERMED, AND SHE COMES WITH A PURPLE BOW. ANYBODY THAT'S
21 WATCHING AT HOME CAN ADOPT HER AT (562) 728-4644 OR ANYBODY IN
22 THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT BETTY. I ALWAYS TELL
23 CHIEF FREEMAN IT'S NICE MAYBE TO GET A DOG BACK IN THE FIRE
24 STATION BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE A DALMATIAN, YOU KNOW.
25 THEY'D BE SATISFIED WITH ANYONE. ANYWAY, THIS IS LITTLE BETTY



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1 WHO'S OUT HERE LOOKING FOR A HOME. THERE'S A PERSON IN THE
2 AUDIENCE WHO'S INTERESTED. IF YOU ARE, GO TO THE CORNER.

3

4 **FEMALE VOICE:** (OFF-MIKE) .

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? DO YOU
13 HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS?

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GLORIA, YOU HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS?
18 OKAY. ADJOURNMENTS.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, I DO. MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK
21 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF, WHEN WE CONCLUDE THIS
22 MEETING, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MILTON GODLY, LONG-
23 TIME MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE'S BOARD OF
24 GOVERNORS AND LEADER IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY WHO RECENTLY
25 PASSED AWAY. TOGETHER WITH HIS WIFE, BRENDAL, HE CO-CHAIRLED



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1 THE FOUNDER'S LEVEL OF THE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP COUNCIL AND
2 GENEROUSLY OPENED HIS HOME TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE AJC.
3 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS,
4 INCLUDING-- WELL, MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION...

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
9 MEMORY OF BERNIE WEISBERG. BERNIE IS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
10 JEWISH FEDERATION COUNCIL OF GREATER LOS ANGELES AND A LONG
11 TIME VOLUNTEER AND LEADER IN THE LOCAL AND NATIONAL JEWISH
12 COMMUNITY. HE WAS A NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF THE LABOR ZIONIST
13 ALLIANCE, DIRECTOR OF THE AMERICAN ZIONIST MOVEMENT, NATIONAL
14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF YOUNG JUDEA AND THEIR CAMP, TELYA HUDDA,
15 AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN CREATING YOUNG JUDEA'S YEAR-LONG
16 COURSE IN ISRAEL. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BEA, AND OTHER
17 FAMILY MEMBERS INCLUDING DEBORAH CHENKIN, HIS DAUGHTER AND
18 DAVID CHENKIN, SON, THEY WERE CLOSE FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES OF
19 BARBARA'S AND MINE. LAST, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
20 THE MEMORY OF SUSAN BARBARA CLAUSNER, WHO DIED AT THE AGE OF
21 57 TRAGICALLY IN A SKIING ACCIDENT ON MAMMOTH MOUNTAIN. SHE IS
22 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, FORMER JUDGE GARY CLAUSNER, A SON,
23 PETER, AND DAUGHTER, JAMIE, HER BROTHER, H. WILLIAM GACHAWK
24 AND MOTHER, LILLIAN B. GACHAWK.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** WOW. I THINK ALL MEMBERS ON THAT ONE.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH, ALL MEMBERS. SECONDED. WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME CALL UP ITEM 29.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 29. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE SIGNED
11 UP ON THAT. DO YOU WANT THE DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST IS HAVE THE DEPARTMENT
14 GIVE THEIR RECOMMENDATION AND THEN HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD I HAVE THE DEPARTMENT, JOHN?

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD
21 BEFORE YOU SPEAK.

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23 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** JONATHAN FIELDING, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
24 HEALTH.

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1 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** BRUCE CHERNOF, ACTING DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT
2 OF HEALTH SERVICES.

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4 **JOHN SHUNATSKI:** JOHN SHUNATSKI, FOR OPERATIONS PUBLIC HEALTH

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6 **MARIO PERES:** MARIO PERES, INTERIM DIRECTOR, OAPP, OFFICE OF
7 AIDS PRODUCTS AND POLICY. >DR. JONATHAN FIELDING: SUPERVISORS,
8 THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT IS TO APPROVE THE
9 RECOMMENDATION ON THE AGENDA AND IN THE BOARD LETTER WHICH IS
10 TO OFFER TWO AGREEMENTS TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE ACTING
11 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES TO EXECUTE TWO AGREEMENTS FOR
12 H.I.V./A.I.D.S. RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE AND SKILLED NURSING
13 FACILITY SERVICES. THE ONE AGREEMENT WITH THE AIDS HEALTHCARE
14 FOUNDATION WILL BE AT THE ANNUAL FUNDING MAXIMUM OF \$553,800
15 AND THE SECOND WITH WELL'S HOUSE HOSPICE FOUNDATION WILL BE AT
16 THE ANNUAL FUNDING MAXIMUM OF 226,200. THOSE WOULD BOTH BE FOR
17 TERMS BEGINNING MARCH 1ST, 2006 AND ENDING JUNE 30TH, 2008.
18 THE REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE \$300 PER DAY FOR RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE
19 AND \$360 FOR SKILLED NURSING SERVICES. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
20 RECOMMENDATION, WE'RE SUGGESTING THAT YOUR BOARD MAY ALSO
21 CONSIDER INSTRUCTING THE DEPARTMENT TO PLACE ON THE GREEN
22 SHEET AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK, FEBRUARY 28TH, A RECOMMENDATION TO
23 APPROVE A 3-MONTH CLOSEOUT EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH THE AIDS
24 HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION IN THE EVENT THAT THE AIDS HEALTHCARE
25 FOUNDATION DECIDES NOT TO EXECUTE THE NEW AGREEMENT BY 11:00



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1 ON FRIDAY. THE CLOSEOUT AMENDMENT WILL BE AT THE SAME BED DAY
2 RATE AS THE EXISTING AHF AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY PATIENTS IN THE
3 FACILITY AS OF FEBRUARY 28TH UNTIL THEY'RE TRANSFERRED OR
4 DISCHARGED WITH NO NEW COUNTY PATIENTS ADMITTED AFTER FEBRUARY
5 28TH, 2006.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THEN
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE ORIGINAL R.F.P. FOR THIS-- CAN I ASK
11 SOMEBODY TO CLOSE THAT BACK DOOR? THE REFLECTION IS JUST
12 BLINDING ME. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE ORIGINAL R.F.P. WAS FOR
13 HOW MUCH MONEY?

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** \$390,000.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND YOU ENDED UP SUPPLEMENTING IT BY A
18 COUPLE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AFTER YOU RECEIVED THE R.F.P.
19 RESPONSES, IS THAT WHAT HAPPENED?

20

21 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IN ANALYZING THE UTILIZATION OF THE
22 SERVICES OVER THE LAST YEAR, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT A GOOD
23 ESTIMATE FOR THIS NEXT YEAR WOULD BE 780, \$790,000, WHICH IS
24 WHAT WAS RECOMMENDED. SO, YES, IT WAS INCREASED. WE HAD
25 INDICATED IN THE R.F.P. THAT THE FUNDING, ALTHOUGH THE



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1 A.I.D.S. PROGRAM HAD ALLOCATED \$390,000, THE DEPARTMENT MIGHT
2 CHOOSE TO PUT INTO CONTRACTS MORE THAN THAT, BASED UPON
3 AVAILABLE FUNDING AND BASED UPON NEED.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND ON WHAT AUTHORITY-- DID YOU HAVE THE
6 AUTHORITY TO ADD MONEY TO THIS R.F.P.?

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE PUT THAT WITHIN THE R.F.P. SO THAT
9 THE DEPARTMENT WOULD HAVE THE ABILITY TO RECOMMEND A LEVEL OF
10 FUNDING THAT WAS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WE THOUGHT THE NEED
11 WOULD BE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MUCH FLEXIBILITY DID YOU HAVE?

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15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I DON'T THINK THERE WAS ANY LIMIT ON
16 THE FLEXIBILITY WITHIN-- AS STATED ON THE R.F.P.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT WAS NOT STATED IN THE R.F.P.?

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THERE WAS NO UPPER LIMIT ON THAT
21 FLEXIBILITY IN THE R.F.P.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO HOW-- SO WHY DID YOU PICK TWO OR \$300,000
24 AS OPPOSED TO FIVE OR \$600,000?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, IF WE HAD-- WHEN WE
2 LOOKED AT THE AMOUNTS OF SERVICES THAT ARE BEING BILLED BY THE
3 A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF
4 THIS YEAR, THAT INDICATED THAT THEY HAD BILLED AND WE HAD
5 PAID, ON BED DAYS THAT HAD BEEN ADJUDICATED, ABOUT 1,116 BED
6 DAYS AT AN APPROXIMATE COST OF \$400,000 A YEAR. ON THE OTHER
7 HAND, IN RECENT MONTHS THAT HAD NOT BEEN ADJUDICATED, THEY HAD
8 BILLED AS MUCH AS \$83,000 PER MONTH. THE \$83,000 TRANSLATES
9 INTO ABOUT A MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR. IN LOOKING AT THE
10 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THOSE TWO AND FEELING THAT SOME OF THE--
11 SOME OF THE MONTHS WOULD BE HIGHER, WE CAME OUT WITH A POINT
12 THAT WAS SOMEWHAT BETWEEN THOSE TWO POINTS, RECOGNIZING THAT
13 THE COUNTY WILL ONLY PAY FOR DAYS FOR ELIGIBLE PATIENTS WITHIN
14 THE FACILITY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND IS WHY THE
17 BEAN HOUSE HAS BECOME THE ISSUE AROUND WHICH THIS WHOLE R.F.P.
18 IS REVOLVING NOW. CAN YOU SHED SOME LIGHT ON THAT? IF THIS
19 R.F.P. WAS IN THE THREE TO \$500,000 RANGE AND WE'RE GOING TO
20 HEAR, I'M SURE, FROM PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT THE BEAN HOUSE, CARL
21 BEAN HOUSE, IF THE COST OF OPERATING THAT IS 1.2 MILLION, AS
22 THEY HAVE ASSERTED, THEN WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN IF THEY HAD
23 GOTTEN ALL 500 OR \$600,000 OUT OF THIS R.F.P.? WAS THIS
24 R.F.P., IN YOUR JUDGMENT, WAS THIS R.F.P. SUPPOSED TO DEAL
25 WITH THE FUNDING OF THE BEAN HOUSE FOR A WHOLE YEAR?



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2 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO, SUPERVISOR.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHY IS THIS THE ISSUE?

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6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, I THINK IT IS THE ISSUE BECAUSE,
7 FOR SEVERAL YEARS STANDING, THE A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION
8 HAS INDICATED TO US THAT, IF THEY DO NOT RECEIVE A CERTAIN
9 LEVEL OF FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY DIRECTED TO CARL BEAN, THAT
10 THEY WOULD HAVE TO CLOSE IT. THEIR BUDGET, OVERALL BUDGET FOR
11 THE FACILITY IS SOMEWHERE AROUND \$300 MILLION PER YEAR AND
12 THEY HAVE INDICATED TO US THAT THEY-- THE AMOUNT THAT WAS
13 ALLOCATED TO THEM WAS REDUCED BY-- FROM A MILLION SEVEN TO A
14 MILLION TWO OVER THE LAST YEAR. THEY'VE INDICATED TO US IF
15 THEY DON'T RECEIVE A MILLION TWO, THAT THEY WILL HAVE TO CLOSE
16 THE FACILITY.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND DO YOU HAVE ANY DOUBT THAT'S THE CASE?

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20 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I HAVE NO WAY TO JUDGE THAT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING. ALL RIGHT. IF
23 THEY DO CLOSE, WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE PATIENTS, RESIDENTS OF
24 THE FACILITY?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IF THEY DO CLOSE, THE RESIDENTS OF THE
2 FACILITY WHO ARE COUNTY RESIDENTS, COUNTY PATIENTS, WILL BE
3 TRANSFERRED. THEY WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO OTHER FACILITIES.
4 SOME OF THEM COULD GO TO THE OTHER PROVIDER, THE WELLS HOUSE,
5 WHICH BID ON THE R.F.P. WE'VE ALSO, THE A.I.D.S. PROGRAM AND
6 MR. PERES CAN SPEAK TO THAT IN A MOMENT, IF YOU WISH, BUT THEY
7 HAVE DONE EXTENSIVE WORK IN THE LAST COUPLE DAYS TO DETERMINE
8 OTHER PROVIDERS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAD SUBMITTED RESPONSES
9 TO THE R.F.I., THE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION, BUT DID NOT PUT IN
10 BIDS TO DETERMINE IF THEY HAVE ADDITIONAL BEDS. AND SO, IF
11 THEY DO CHOOSE TO CLOSE, WE WOULD HAVE TO HELP TO TRANSITION
12 THOSE PATIENTS OUT. FURTHERMORE, SINCE THEY HAVE MORE THAN
13 COUNTY PATIENTS IN THAT, FROM THE OTHER-- THE OTHER ARM OF OUR
14 DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS THE HEALTH FACILITIES DIVISION, WHICH
15 OVERSEES LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION, WE WOULD HAVE TO OVERSEE
16 THEIR TRANSFER OF OTHER PATIENTS OUT, CONSISTENT WITH CLOSING
17 ANY NURSING HOME OR OTHER HEALTH FACILITY.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS THE-- WHAT HAPPENS TO THE OTHER
20 PATIENTS, THE NON-COUNTY PATIENTS?

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22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, THEY WOULD-- SOMETIME BEFORE
23 CLOSURE, THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO AN APPROPRIATE
24 FACILITY IF THEY'RE NOT DISCHARGED FIRST. AND THE OVERSIGHT--
25 THE OVERSIGHT FOR THAT IS BASED WITH OUR OWN HEALTH FACILITIES



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1 DIVISION, WHICH IS THE STATE DISTRICT OFFICE OF STATE
2 LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES ANYBODY ELSE HERE WANT TO ADD ANYTHING
5 TO ANY OF THIS?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL RESERVE QUESTIONS FOR LATER.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I THINK THAT THE CONCERN HERE IS, ONE,
14 WHATEVER CHANGE HAD BEEN MADE, WE WERE NOTIFIED AT 11:00 THIS
15 MORNING, YOU KNOW, JUST BEFORE THE BOARD MEETING, AND THEN
16 WE'RE BEING TOLD THE CONTRACT EXPIRES NEXT WEEK. ISN'T IT
17 TRUE, THOUGH, I MEAN, IF YOU DO HAVE A VENDOR THAT DOES NOT
18 WANT TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT, THAT OUR SYSTEM WOULD BE
19 OVERWHELMED? THERE'S NO WAY THAT WELLS HOUSE COULD TAKE THE
20 CAPACITY IF ALL THE COUNTY H.I.V. PATIENTS WERE BEING FORCED
21 UPON THEM. THEY MAYBE HAVE TWO OR THREE BEDS RIGHT NOW. SO, I
22 MEAN, THAT'S A HUGE ISSUE. IS THAT NOT TRUE? I MEAN, WHEN YOU
23 SAY TRANSFER, I MEAN, YOU'RE MAKING IT SOUND LIKE THERE'S ALL
24 KINDS OF ROOM OUT THERE.

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, THE-- IT'S OUR
2 UNDERSTANDING THAT, AS OF TODAY, THERE ARE TWO CLEARLY COUNTY
3 RESPONSIBLE PATIENTS IN THE FACILITY AND FOUR WHO ARE MEDI-CAL
4 PENDING FOR WHOM THE COUNTY MAY OR MAY NOT END UP PAYING,
5 DEPENDING UPON WHETHER MEDI-CAL ACCEPTS THEIR PAYMENT. LET ME
6 ASK MR. PERES TO SPEAK TO WHAT THEY'VE FOUND IN TERMS OF OTHER
7 OPTIONS.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, AND AS WELL AS THE NUMBER OF BEDS THAT ARE
10 AVAILABLE AT THE WELLS HOUSE, TOO.

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12 **MARIO PERES:** SO AS OF THIS MORNING, SUPERVISOR, THERE WERE TWO
13 AVAILABLE BEDS AT THE WELLS HOUSE, ALTHOUGH THEY'RE
14 ANTICIPATING THAT THOSE MAY BE FILLED BY THE END OF THE DAY.
15 SO THERE ARE SEVEN ALTERNATE PROVIDERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
16 WHO COULD PROVIDE UP TO 107 RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE OR SKILLED
17 NURSING BEDS, SOME OF WHOM...

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** ARE THEY AVAILABLE?

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21 **MARIO PERES:** THEY ARE AVAILABLE. SOME OF WHOM WE HAVE
22 CONTRACTS WITH NOW FOR OTHER SERVICE CATEGORIES THROUGH
23 O.A.P.P. AND SOME OF WHICH WE DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE CONTRACTS.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** CHANGES IN THE BOARD LETTER THAT YOU SENT US LATE
2 THIS MORNING, HAS THAT BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THE CONTRACTORS?
3 THE CHANGES THAT WERE MADE LATE IN THIS PROCESS AND THE
4 ADDITIONS AND, YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE SENT US AN UPDATED BOARD
5 LETTER TODAY AT, YOU KNOW, 11:00. WERE THE CHANGES DISCUSSED
6 WITH THE CONTRACTORS?

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** SUPERVISOR, THE BASIC RECOMMENDATION IN
9 THE BOARD LETTER IS UNCHANGED FROM THE WRITTEN BOARD LETTER. I
10 INFORMED THE A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION OF THAT, THAT THAT
11 WOULD BE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DEPARTMENT ON FRIDAY. THE
12 SECOND PART OF THE RECOMMENDATION, WHICH IS THE CONTINGENCY
13 FOR A CLOSEOUT AGREEMENT SHOULD THEY CLOSE, IS SOMETHING THAT
14 HAS BEEN DISCUSSED SEVERAL TIMES WITH MR. WEINSTEIN, GOING
15 BACK TO LAST YEAR, AND HE ASKED ABOUT IT AGAIN ON FRIDAY AND I
16 SAID THAT, IF THEY CHOSE TO CLOSE, WE WOULD RECOMMEND A
17 CLOSEOUT AGREEMENT IN ORDER TO TRANSITION THE PATIENTS OUT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME UNDERSTAND. THEY APPLIED FOR A CONTRACT OR
24 RESPONDED TO AN R.F.P. AND NOW THEY'RE NOT INTERESTED IN



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1 TAKING IT AT THE PRICE THAT YOU'RE GIVING IT? IS THAT THE
2 ISSUE?

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT IS THE ISSUE THAT WE UNDERSTAND
5 IT, YES.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, IF THEY'RE NOT GOING TO TAKE IT, WHY ARE WE
8 APPROVING IT TODAY? OR WHY ARE YOU RECOMMENDING THAT WE
9 APPROVE IT?

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK BECAUSE THEY'VE NOT GIVEN A
12 DEFINITIVE "NO". THAT'S WHY WE'VE MADE THE RECOMMENDATION
13 THAT, IF THEY DON'T SIGN THE AGREEMENT BY FRIDAY, THEN WE
14 WOULD PROCEED WITH THE, WITH THE CLOSEOUT AGREEMENT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** CLOSEOUT AGREEMENT MEANING THAT...?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** MEANING THAT WE WOULD AGREE TO PAY FOR
19 THE PATIENTS WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FACILITY OR IN THE
20 FACILITY AS OF FEBRUARY 28TH BUT NOT PAY FOR ANY NEW
21 ADMISSIONS AND WE WOULD PHASE THEM OUT WITHIN 90 DAYS.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** WITHIN 90 DAYS. WHAT ABOUT THEIR OUTSTANDING DEBT
24 TO US?

25



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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THE OUTSTANDING AUDITS ARE STILL TO BE
2 FINALLY RESOLVED, BASED UPON THE WORK OF THE CENTRAL CONTRACT
3 MONITORING DIVISION AND COUNTY COUNSEL. THAT HAS YET TO BE
4 FINALIZED AND IT HAS YET TO BE ADJUDICATED, IF NEED TO BE, BUT
5 THEY WILL STILL OWE THAT DEBT REGARDLESS OF WHAT HAPPENS WITH
6 THIS CONTRACTING DECISION.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WAS THAT DEBT BASED ON THE FACT THAT THE
9 COST-- THEY WERE DISALLOWED COST OR...?

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO. THE MAIN ISSUE IN THE AUDIT IS THE
12 MATTER OF BILLING MEDI-CAL AND THE COUNTY FOR THE SAME DAY.
13 AND THE ISSUE BEING...

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S USUALLY FRAUD, ISN'T IT?

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, THE ISSUE IS AN INTERPRETATION OF
18 WHAT IS INCLUDED WITHIN THE MEDI-CAL-- SERVICES THAT MEDI-CAL
19 IS PAYING FOR. COUNTY COUNSEL HAS LOOKED AT THIS FAIRLY
20 CAREFULLY AND BELIEVES THAT THE SCOPE OF SERVICES THAT MEDI-
21 CAL IS PAYING FOR AND THAT WE'VE INCLUDED IN THIS CONTRACT
22 WITH A.H.F, THAT THE ONLY SERVICE THAT THE COUNTY HAS AGREED
23 TO PAY FOR, WHICH IS NOT COVERED BY MEDI-CAL PIECE, IS
24 VOLUNTEER SERVICES AND SO THEREFORE THE BELIEF IS THAT, WHEN
25 A.H.F. SUBSEQUENTLY RECENTLY REIMBURSEMENT FROM MEDI-CAL, THAT



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1 THEY OWE THE COUNTY NOT JUST THE REIMBURSEMENT THAT THEY
2 RECEIVED BUT THE ENTIRE \$425 A DAY THAT THEY WERE PAID FOR
3 THAT DAY AND THAT'S THE POINT OF CONTENTION.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW LONG DO YOU THINK IT WILL TAKE FOR THAT TO
6 GET RESOLVED?

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK THAT THE AUDITS AND THE EXIT
9 CONFERENCE CAN OCCUR NOW WITHIN A MATTER OF WEEKS. HOW LONG IT
10 WILL TAKE IF WE END UP WITH THE CONTRACTOR DISPUTING THE
11 FINDINGS AND TO FINAL RESOLUTION COULD BE MONTHS.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN THE NEW CONTRACT THAT YOU ARE PROPOSING WITH
14 A.H.F., ARE THEY GOING TO UNDERTAKE THE SAME METHOD OF
15 BILLING?

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU CLARIFIED THAT SO NOW THEY'RE NOT ENTITLED TO
20 DOUBLE BILL?

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IS THAT WHY THEY'RE NOW SAYING, "WE CAN'T
25 AFFORD TO CARRY OUT THIS CONTRACT"?



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2 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I'M NOT SURE THAT I CAN SPEAK FOR THEM
3 ON THAT BUT I THINK THAT THE FACT THAT WE'RE NOT PAYING FOR
4 ANY OF THE MEDI-CAL DAYS IS A FACTOR IN THEIR FINANCIAL
5 CALCULATIONS.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO, IN THE OTHER CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE WITH, WHAT
8 IS IT-- THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE WITH WELLS HOUSE, YOU'LL HAVE
9 THE SAME CONDITIONS OR SITUATION?

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THE CONTRACT THAT'S BEING OFFERED TO
12 A.H.F. AND TO WELLS HOUSE IS THE SAME CONTRACT AND IT PROVIDES
13 THAT REIMBURSEMENT IS...

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT NOT THE SAME RESPONSE? I MEAN, IN OTHER
16 WORDS, THEY'RE SAYING, "WE CAN DO IT FOR THE PRICE YOU'RE
17 GOING TO PAY US" AND THEY'RE NOT DOUBLE BILLING?

18

19 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES, IT'S THE SAME-- IT'S-- AND THE
20 PROVISION IS THAT WE'RE NOT PAYING FOR ANY DAYS FOR WHICH
21 MEDI-CAL HAS PAID AND ALSO IN THIS CASE WILL ONLY PAY FOR
22 MEDI-CAL PENDING. WE'LL ONLY PAY WHEN MEDI-CAL ADJUDICATES.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THE ISSUE, AS IT STANDS NOW, IF WE APPROVE
2 THIS, IT WILL CARRY THE CONDITIONS THAT THEY CANNOT BILL MEDI-
3 CAL FOR WHAT WE'RE PAYING FOR, CORRECT?

4

5 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO THEY HAVEN'T AGREED TO THAT AS YET, BUT,
8 IF WE PROCEED WITH APPROVING THIS CONTRACT TODAY AND THEY
9 DON'T SIGN ON THE DOTTED LINE ON FRIDAY, THEN WE BEGIN WHAT
10 YOU CALL A CLOSEOUT LETTER, WHICH I GUESS OUTLINES THAT WE ARE
11 NOW CLOSING OUR ENTIRE CONTRACT WITH THEM, CORRECT?

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** FOR THE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES, YES.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AND THAT WE WILL MAKE AN
16 EFFECTIVE TRANSFER OF THE PATIENTS, CORRECT?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WE HAVE HOW MANY PATIENTS AT A.H.F.?

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** IT'S OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE ARE
23 TWO CLEARLY COUNTY RESPONSIBLE PATIENTS THERE AND THERE ARE
24 FOUR FOR WHOM MEDI-CAL IS PENDING. THE EXPERIENCE IS THAT



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1 MAYBE ABOUT 50/50 ON THOSE. IN OTHER WORDS, ABOUT HALF OF
2 THOSE WILL BECOME COUNTY RESPONSIBLE...

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL SIX OF THEM
5 FROM THE STANDPOINT OF TRANSFER?

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT'S CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF
12 SPEAKERS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP. DR. CLAVREUL, MICHAEL, MIKI
13 JACKSON, PHILIP CURTIS. THEN, AS SOON AS YOU-- AND LET ME ALSO
14 CALL UP ZEFERINO LOPEZ, AND THEN, AS SOON AS YOU CONCLUDE YOUR
15 REMARKS, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ALBERT MISHU, BEACH WARREN,
16 WILLIAM LUCAS, AND A HOST OF OTHERS. YOU EACH HAVE TWO
17 MINUTES, PLEASE.

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
20 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, WE ARE-- EVERY YEAR, IT IS
21 THE SAME ISSUE. WE GET THIS CONTRACT AT THE LAST MINUTE AND,
22 EVERY YEAR, WE ARE PROMISED THAT WILL NOT HAPPEN AGAIN. YOU
23 HAVE THE OFFICE OF A.I.D.S., WHO HAS BEEN FOR MONTHS NOW
24 WITHOUT A LEADER. THE JOB SEARCH IS NOT BEING VERY ACTIVE AND
25 WE ARE, AS ALWAYS, RENEWING CONTRACT FOR NONPERFORMING GROUPS



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1 AND I'M NOT PUTTING A.H.F. IN THAT PARK. ANYWAY, EVERY YEAR,
2 WE GET PROMISED THAT THAT WILL NOT HAPPEN AGAIN AND, AS USUAL,
3 YOU ARE SLEEPING ON THE JOB. EVERY YEAR, WE ARE RENEWING THE
4 CONTRACT AT THE LAST MINUTE SO THINGS ARE DONE HALFWAY WITHOUT
5 APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT OF WHAT'S GOING ON. IT'S APPALLING AND
6 THAT'S ALL I'M GOING TO SAY TODAY BECAUSE A LOT MORE PEOPLE
7 WANT TO SPEAK BUT, LAST WEEK, AS USUAL, PEOPLE VIOLATED THE
8 BROWN ACT AND I REQUEST THAT YOU CORRECT OR CURE THIS PROBLEM.
9 WHEN YOU HAVE MEETING ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR AND YOU ARE
10 DEMANDING THE PUBLIC TO SHOW THEIR I.D. CARD AND YOU WRITE
11 DOWN THEIR NAME AND LICENSE NUMBER, YOU VIOLATE THE BROWN ACT.
12 THE PUBLIC HAS A RIGHT TO SPEAK, TO TESTIFY WITH NEVER SHOWING
13 THEIR IDENTIFICATION OR EVEN THEIR NAME. I SPOKE TO MR. COOLEY
14 ABOUT THAT. HE TOTALLY AGREED ON THAT SITUATION. ALSO, YOU
15 CANNOT PROHIBIT INDIVIDUALS NOT TO SPEAK AT THE TIME AN ITEM
16 IS PRESENTED AND, LAST WEEK, AT THE HEALTH DEPUTY, THEY
17 REFUSED TO ALLOW THE PEOPLE TO SPEAK WHEN THE ITEM WAS
18 PRESENTED. ANYWAY, I HAVE PUT IN WRITING MY COMPLAINTS. I WILL
19 ASK YOU TO CURE IT, I WILL ASK YOU TO SPEAK TO YOUR STAFF
20 MEMBERS. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR. SO ALBERT MISHU,
23 COME UP NEXT, PLEASE. YES, SIR. WHOEVER. WHOEVER. EITHER ONE
24 OF YOU CAN START. GO AHEAD.



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1 **ZEFERINO LOPEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS ZEFERINO LOPEZ. I'M A RESIDENT
2 AT CARL BEAN HOUSE. TODAY, I JUST WANT TO IMPLORE THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS TO REALLY CONSIDER THE DECISION THAT IS BEING MADE
4 HERE TODAY. I'M A LIVE-IN A.I.D.S. PATIENT. I WENT TO CARL
5 BEAN IN JANUARY 17TH FOR DETOX. MY VIRAL LOAD WAS IN THE
6 MILLIONS. WITHOUT CARL BEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHERE I WOULD HAVE
7 BEEN. I'D PROBABLY BE SIX FEET UNDER. I ASK THIS BOARD TO
8 REALLY CONSIDER YOUR DECISION IN THE FUNDING FOR THE
9 CONTINUING OPENING OF CARL BEAN HOUSE. I WANT TO ASK
10 REPRESENTATIVE GLORIA MOLINA, IF CARL BEAN IS TO SHUT DOWN,
11 WHERE AM I GOING TO GO?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** SIR, I'M NOT TRYING TO SHUT ANYTHING DOWN. I HAVE
14 AN ISSUE OF WHAT WE CAN PAY FOR. I DON'T WANT TO SHUT IT DOWN.
15 IF YOU REMEMBER CORRECTLY, WHEN I WE OPENED IT UP AND I WAS
16 PROUD OF IT AND STILL AM.

17

18 **ZEFERINO LOPEZ:** OKAY. BUT I JUST WANT TO TELL THE BOARD THIS,
19 YOU KNOW. WITHOUT THE FACILITIES LIKE CARL BEAN HOUSE, WITH
20 THEIR WONDERFUL NURSING STAFF AND DOCTORS, I DON'T KNOW WHERE
21 I'D BE AT THIS DAY AND I SPEAK FOR OTHER PATIENTS WHO ARE BED-
22 BOUND, WHO ARE IN HOSPICE, DYING. I WITNESSED FOUR DEATHS
23 SINCE I'VE BEEN THERE. IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S HARD TO DEAL WITH
24 AND I JUST IMPLORE THE BOARD, YOU KNOW, FOR YOU TO CONSIDER
25 THE DECISION HERE. IT WILL AFFECT THOUSANDS, IF NOT MILLIONS



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1 OF PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES WHO ARE LIVING WITH
2 H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. YOU KNOW, IT'S-- I CAN'T JUST SAY WHAT I
3 HAVE TO SAY. I KNOW HAVE LIMITED TIME BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY
4 MORE BUT I JUST IMPLORE THIS BOARD TO REALLY CONSIDER THEIR
5 DECISION IN APPROVING THIS CONTRACT FOR A.H.F., A WONDERFUL
6 ORGANIZATION WHO IS GROWING GLOBALLY IN TODAY'S WORLD. I'VE
7 SEEN VIDEOS WHERE THEY HAVE OPENED GLOBAL IN AFRICA, CENTRAL
8 AMERICA AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. SO THAT IS ALL I'M ASKING
9 THE BOARD TO RECONSIDER SERIOUSLY IN APPROVING THIS CONTRACT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

12

13 **ALBERT MISHU:** MY NAME IS ALBERT MISHU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND BEACH WARREN, PLEASE COME UP.

16

17 **ALBERT MISHU:** ALBERT MISHU IS MY NAME. TWO YEARS AGO, I GOT
18 DIAGNOSED WITH A.I.D.S. MY LIFE FELL APART. I WAS A
19 PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN BEFORE THAT. I WAS MAKING A LIVING AND
20 MY LIFE FELL APART. AND 2005, HOUSING-WISE, I WAS HAVING A
21 REAL HARD TIME AND THEN, EVENTUALLY, AT THE END OF THE YEAR, I
22 WANTED TO GIVE UP BECAUSE I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING GETTING BETTER
23 AND THEN I GOT REALLY SICK. I WENT TO THE HOSPITAL AND THEY
24 SENT ME TO CARL BEAN, WHICH I HAD BEEN THERE A YEAR AND A HALF
25 AGO AND I WAS GLAD. I'VE BEEN RECEIVING A LOT OF HELP THERE,



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1 HEATH-WISE AND SOCIAL WORK-WISE. BUT NOW, IF IT'S GOING TO BE
2 CLOSED-- WELL, IF IT'S IN THE THREAT OF BEING CLOSED DOWN,
3 AGAIN, LIKE MY FRIEND HERE SAID, I DON'T KNOW WHERE I'M GOING
4 TO GO AND-- TO GET BACK ON MY FEET AND I THINK A LOT OF US
5 HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM. SO ANYWAY, I HOPE THIS CONTRACT WORKS
6 OUT SO WE CAN STAY WHERE WE'RE AT UNTIL WE'RE ABLE TO LEAVE
7 AND GET ON WITH OUR LIVES. ANYWAY, THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

10

11 **PHILIP CURTIS:** MY NAME IS PHILIP CURTIS, I'M DIRECTOR OF
12 GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS FOR A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS ANGELES. WE'RE
13 ONE OF THE OLDEST AND LARGEST A.I.D.S. SERVICE PROVIDERS IN
14 LOS ANGELES AND IN THE COUNTRY AND A GOOD PORTION OF OUR
15 SERVICES ARE LOCATED IN SPA 4. OTHERWISE, WE SERVE ALL PARTS
16 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE BELIEVE THAT A NEW CONTRACT FOR
17 HOSPICE SERVICES PROVIDES FAIR AND EQUITABLE RATES FOR
18 SERVICE. A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION RESPONDED TO
19 O.A.P.P.'S R.F.P. FOR RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE SERVICES, WHICH WAS
20 RELEASED IN AUGUST 2005. THE AGENCY SUBMITTED A FIRM PROPOSAL
21 UNDER THE NEW REVISED RATES. ANY RENEGOTIATION OF THAT RATE
22 RENDERS MEANINGLESS THE STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES SET BY THE
23 COUNTY FOR ITS OWN R.F.P. PROCESS. IN OCTOBER, O.A.P.P.
24 ANNOUNCED ITS INTENTION TO IMPLEMENT CUTS TO SEVERAL IMPORTANT
25 H.I.V. SERVICES, INCLUDING OUTPATIENT, MEDICAL, PSYCHIATRIC



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1 AND CASE MANAGEMENT. ONE OF THE MAJOR REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED
2 CUT WAS THE RENEWAL OF A.H.F.'S CONTRACT AT A RATE THAT
3 EXCEEDED AVAILABLE FUNDS BY \$850,000. IT WAS ONLY DUE TO THE
4 INTERVENTION OF OTHER A.I.D.S. SERVICE PROVIDERS, INCLUDING
5 A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS ANGELES, AND THE BOARD ITSELF THAT THESE
6 CUTS WERE AVERTED, AT LEAST FOR THE TIME BEING. IF HOSPICE
7 CONTRACTS ARE RENEWED AT HIGHER RATES AGAIN, IT WILL THREATEN
8 THE FUNDING FOR OTHER CARE ACT, RYAN WHITE CARE ACT-RELATED
9 FUNDED SERVICES THAT ARE VITAL TO PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V.
10 AND A.I.D.S. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS
11 ANGELES RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF HOSPICE SERVICES AND WE
12 RECOMMEND THE DEPARTMENT PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH OTHER
13 SERVICE PROVIDERS AND WITH THE CLOSE-OUT CONTRACT WITH
14 A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT EITHER
15 THE WELLBEING OF OUR CLIENTS, THESE CONTRACTS OR THE FUTURE
16 FUNDING OF A.I.D.S. CARE AND SERVICES SHOULD BE HELD HOSTAGE
17 TO THE COMPETING NEEDS OF A SINGLE AGENCY. THANK YOU VERY
18 MUCH.

19
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WILLIAM LUCAS, DARLENE
21 BROWN, CRAIG MACK. YES, SIR.

22
23 **BEACH WARREN:** MY NAME IS BEACH WARREN. I BELIEVE I'M SUPPOSED
24 TO SPEAK NEXT.



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, YOU ARE.

2

3 **BEACH WARREN:** FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT LIVING WITH
4 H.I.V. IS QUITE DIFFICULT. IT TAKES YOU DOWN PHYSICALLY AND
5 MENTALLY AND, WITHOUT SOME ASSISTANCE FROM THE COUNTY OR THE
6 STATE, YOU REALLY HAVE A HARD TIME MAKING IT ON YOUR OWN. SO
7 I'D LIKE TO PREFACE MY REMARKS WITH THAT. WHEN I GOT-- I WAS
8 WORKING AND MY HEALTH WAS SPIRALING DOWN BECAUSE IT WAS JUST
9 BECOMING TOO HARD AND THINGS WEREN'T GOING WELL AND I ENDED UP
10 AT THE HOSPITAL FOR A WEEK AND THEN, WHEN I WAS DISCHARGED, MY
11 SISTER CAME DOWN FROM SEATTLE TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO ME
12 BECAUSE, EVEN THOUGH I USED TO FILL OUT CONTRACTS AND
13 NEGOTIATE LOANS AND THINGS LIKE THIS, I COULD BARELY READ THE
14 PAPERS NOW. WE SPENT THREE WEEKS LOOKING FOR A PLACE FOR ME.
15 NO WELLS HOUSE, NO, NOTHING. THE ONLY PLACE THAT WAS OFFERED
16 WAS CARL BEAN AND, QUITE TRUTHFULLY, AND NOT TO BE SOLICITING
17 YOUR SIMPATICO, BUT I'M SURE I WOULD HAVE BEEN DEAD HAD I NOT
18 HAD THE CARE THAT YOU GET AT CARL BEAN. THE HOSPITAL IS A
19 SHORT-TERM AND INTENSIVE AND THE CONVALESCENTS, WE ALL KNOW,
20 ARE MORE OF A WAREHOUSE AND THEY REALLY DON'T SPEND A GREAT
21 DEAL OF TIME AND THEY'RE NOT INTENSIVE. AND THERE'S ALSO AN
22 H.I.V. STIGMA THAT GOES IF YOU HAVE TO BE TRANSFERRED TO A
23 CONVALESCENT. SO CARL BEAN OFFERS YOU A LITTLE BIT OF A PLACE
24 THAT YOU CAN GO AND BE PROTECTED FROM ALL THAT AND RECEIVE
25 EXCELLENT CARE. PERSONALLY, IF I WERE DISCHARGED FROM THERE, I



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1 DON'T KNOW WHERE I WOULD GO AND THE TWO BEDS AT THE WELLS
2 HOUSE, I'M SURE, WOULD BE SPOKEN FOR. SO THAT'S ABOUT WHAT I
3 CAN SAY. WHAT I REALLY THINK, IN A COUNTY OF MILLIONS,
4 REPRESENTING MILLIONS OF PEOPLE, THAT WE SHOULD HAVE MORE CARL
5 BEANS AND NOT THINK OF CLOSING DOWN THE ONE WE HAVE. THANK
6 YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY, WHO WAS NEXT?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST GIVE YOUR NAME.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS WILLIAM LUCAS AND HE IS VERY HARD OF HEARING.
15 HE ONLY HAS HEARING IN THE RIGHT SIDE A LITTLE BIT SO IF YOU
16 HAVE QUESTIONS, IT WILL TAKE ME A MINUTE TO GET THEM INTO HIS
17 EAR BUT HE HAS A FEW THINGS HE WOULD LIKE TO SAY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, WILLIAM, GO AHEAD..

22

23 **WILLIAM LUCAS:** I'M ON? MY NAME IS WILLIAM LUCAS AND I'M A
24 PERSON WITH A.I.D.S. WHEN I WAS AT U.C.L.A. HOSPITAL, THEY
25 STRONGLY SUGGESTED, VARIOUS STAFF FROM THERE STRONGLY



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1 SUGGESTED THAT I SEEK CARL BEAN HOUSE UPON DISCHARGE. I DIDN'T
2 KNOW WHY THEN BUT I KNOW WHY NOW. SINCE BEING AT CARL BEAN
3 HOUSE NOVEMBER THE 11TH OF 2005, TODAY MAKES THAT THREE MONTHS
4 AND 11 DAYS, I UNDERSTAND WHY. WHEN I FIRST GOT TO CARL BEAN
5 HOUSE, I HAD A MENINGITIS RELAPSE. I WENT IN WEIGHING 129
6 POUNDS. I LOST WEIGHT FOR THE FIRST TWO WEEKS, GOT DOWN TO 118
7 POUNDS. MY VIRAL LOAD WAS 58,000 AND MY T-CELL COUNT WAS FOUR.
8 TODAY, AS A RESULT OF COMPETENT NURSING STAFF AND JUST A GREAT
9 CREW OVER THERE, MY WEIGHT IS UP TO 176, MY VIRAL LOAD IS DOWN
10 TO 400 AND MY T-CELL IS UP TO 36. CARL BEAN HOUSE IS THE ONLY
11 L.A. LARGE SCALE HOSPICE. SINCE BEING HERE, I'VE SEEN A LOT OF
12 THINGS, MAINLY POSITIVE. IT ALSO SERVES AS A PLACE WHERE
13 PEOPLE CAN GO AND DEPART IN PEACE, WHICH I FIND TO BE VERY
14 MUCH INSTRUMENTAL. CARL BEAN HOUSE HAS REALLY DONE A LOT FOR
15 ME AND I'M GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF IT. IF CARL BEAN HOUSE
16 CLOSES, PEOPLE SUCH AS MYSELF WILL BE FORCED TO GO TO
17 CONVALESCENT HOMES AND BOARD AND CARE HOMES. MIGHT I ALSO ADD
18 THAT I DID HAVE A BRIEF STINT IN A CONVALESCENT HOME. WHILE I
19 WAS THERE, THE NURSES HAD A.I.D.S. PHOBIA. I DIDN'T RECEIVE MY
20 MEDICATIONS ON CERTAIN DAYS, WHICH IS VERY VITAL FOR ANYONE
21 WHO IS H.I.V./A.I.D.S. POSITIVE AND THEY PUT US IN THREE
22 PEOPLE TO A ROOM. THE ENVIRONMENT AT CARL BEAN NOT ONLY SERVES
23 AS A PLACE WHERE WE CAN RECOVER BUT ALSO IT'S A HEALTHY
24 ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE EVERYONE THAT IS THERE, IS THERE UNDER THE
25 SAME UMBRELLA, WE ALL HAVE A.I.D.S. OR H.I.V. IT ALSO SERVES



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1 AS A PLACE WHERE ONE CAN LEARN AND BE EDUCATED ON
2 H.I.V./A.I.D.S. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS WOULD NOT BE A POINT IN
3 CASE AT A CONVALESCENT HOME OR A BOARD AND CARE HOME. I
4 STRONGLY, I STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT CARL BEAN HOUSE REMAIN OPEN.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **WILLIAM LUCAS:** AS OF TODAY, I'VE LOST HEARING IN BOTH MY EARS,
9 EXCEPT FOR 16% IN MY RIGHT EAR, AND I HAVE LOW FIELD OF
10 VISION, ALL DUE TO A.I.D.S. BUT I CAN TELL YOU THIS MUCH,
11 NOTHING BUT POSITIVE THINGS HAS HAPPENED FOR ME SINCE I'VE
12 BEEN AT CARL BEAN HOUSE AND I CAN SAY IT'S PHYSICALLY AND
13 MENTALLY CONDUCIVE FOR ANYONE HAVING H.I.V. OR A.I.D.S. THANK
14 YOU VERY MUCH.

15

16 **WILLIAM LUCAS:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL ADAM OUDERKIRK, ANGELA
21 TYLER AND DIA SMITH-STARKS. YES, SIR.

22

23 **CRAIG MACK:** MY NAME IS CRAIG MACK. I'M A VOLUNTEER AT THE CARL
24 BEAN HOUSE. I'VE BEEN VOLUNTEERING THERE FOR ABOUT A MONTH
25 NOW. AND I CAN SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT WHAT I WALK INTO EVERY



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1 TUESDAY AND I SEE THERE. I SEE RESIDENTS SUPPORTING EACH
2 OTHER, I SEE NURSES, I SEE DOCTORS, I SEE FACILITATORS NOT
3 PUTTING THEMSELVES ABOVE THE RESIDENTS THERE. AND THE REASON
4 THIS HAPPENS IS BECAUSE THERE IS SUPPORT AT THE CARL BEAN
5 HOUSE. THERE IS A STIGMA ATTACHED WITH H.I.V. AND WITH
6 A.I.D.S. AND I'M SURE WE ALL KNOW THAT AND WHAT THE CARL BEAN
7 HOUSE DOES IS IT OFFERS SUPPORT. IT OFFERS SUPPORT FOR THE
8 RESIDENTS TO CONTINUE TO TAKE THEIR MEDICATION AND IT OFFERS A
9 SUPPORT KNOWING THAT, YOU KNOW WHAT, THERE ARE PEOPLE OUT
10 THERE WHO CARE ABOUT US, THERE ARE PEOPLE OUT THERE WHO WANT
11 TO SEE US GET BETTER. IF THE FUNDING IS CUT, THAT SUPPORT
12 SYSTEM MAY BE LOST. WE ALL KNOW THAT PART OF THE RECOVERY
13 PROCESS, PART OF BEING ILL IS A STRONG SUPPORT SYSTEM AND, IF
14 YOU TAKE THE FUNDING AWAY, THAT SUPPORT SYSTEM CAN BE LOST.
15 THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **DARLENE BROWN:** MY NAME IS DARLENE BROWN AND I'M THE
20 ADMINISTRATOR FOR CARL BEAN HOUSE. I'VE WORKED FOR AIDS CARE
21 FOUNDATION FOR 12 YEARS AND HAVE BEEN LOCATED AT CARL BEAN
22 HOUSE FOR THE PAST SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS. THIS FACILITY IS VERY
23 DEAR TO MY HEART AND TO SEE THE POSSIBILITY OF IT CLOSING
24 REALLY TEARS AT MY HEART. WE OFFER SERVICES THAT NO ONE ELSE
25 IN L.A. COUNTY, IN CALIFORNIA, PROBABLY IN THE UNITED STATES



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1 COULD OFFER OR IS AVAILABLE OUT THERE. NO OFFENSE TO WELLS
2 HOUSE, IT'S A VERY LOVELY LITTLE HOSPICE, I VISITED THERE,
3 IT'S VERY BEAUTIFUL BUT IT'S NOT A.I.D.S. SPECIFIC. THERE'S
4 TWO PATIENTS IN A ROOM, YOU KNOW, IT'S A NICE PLACE BUT IT'S
5 NOT H.I.V. SPECIFIC. MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT'S NOT JUST HOSPICE
6 SERVICES THAT CARL BEAN PROVIDES. WE PROVIDE A LEVEL OF
7 NURSING SERVICES THAT YOU CAN'T GET ELSEWHERE THAT IS
8 STRICTLY, YOU KNOW, REALLY DEVELOPED FOR THE INDIVIDUAL
9 PATIENT. WE'RE OFFERING PHYSICAL PHYSICAL THERAPY, WE'RE
10 OFFERING I.V. INFUSION, A WHOLE ARRAY OF WOUND CARE THAT'S NOT
11 GOING TO BE ADDRESSED AT OTHER FACILITIES. WHERE ARE YOU GOING
12 TO SEND MY PATIENTS SHOULD WE NOT BE ABLE TO STAY OPEN BECAUSE
13 FUNDING IS CUT? THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET THAT KIND OF CARE. I
14 MEAN, THIS FUNDING WAS DEVELOPED FOR PEOPLE WITH H.I.V. AND
15 A.I.D.S. AND, TO KEEP CUTTING THE FUNDING, NOT JUST FOR CARL
16 BEAN BUT FOR OTHER A.I.D.S. SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, NO OFFENSE
17 TO A.P.L.A., WE'RE NOT TRYING TO COMPETE WITH ANYBODY ELSE,
18 WE'RE JUST TRYING TO PROVIDE CARE. MY PATIENTS CAME HERE TODAY
19 BECAUSE THEY'RE VERY CONCERNED. AS YOU SEE, WILLIAM LUCAS CAME
20 FROM ANOTHER FACILITY BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T TAKE CARE OF HIM
21 THERE. I HAVE OTHER NURSING HOMES REFERRING TO ME BECAUSE THEY
22 ARE UNCOMFORTABLE WITH PROVIDING OR STARTING H.I.V.
23 MEDICATIONS BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE BASE. SO,
24 YOU KNOW, I IMPORE YOU TO FULLY FUND CARL BEAN AT THE 1.2
25 MILLION THAT WE ORIGINALLY HAD. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. DR. PAUL DEN ORDEN. YES,
3 MA'AM.

4

5 **ANGELA TYLER:** HI. MY NAME IS ANGELA TYLER. HOW IS EVERYONE?
6 I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE MAGIC JOHNSON FOUNDATION. I SEND HIS
7 APOLOGIES, HE'S TRAVELING RIGHT NOW, SO I JUST WANTED TO MAKE
8 A BRIEF STATEMENT ON HIS BEHALF. DEAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I
9 AM DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH THE ISSUES SURROUNDING THE CARL BEAN
10 HOUSE HOSPICE FACILITY LOCATED IN THE HISTORIC WEST ADAMS
11 DISTRICT. THIS FACILITY PROVIDES SERVICES THAT ARE VERY MUCH
12 NEEDED IN THAT AREA, AS WELL AS SERVES AS A SYMBOL OF HOPE IN
13 THE COMMUNITY. AS YOU WELL KNOW, THE FACILITY HOUSES THE
14 A.H.F. MAGIC JOHNSON CLINIC THAT SERVICES NOT ONLY THE
15 RESIDENTS OF THIS FACILITY BUT THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. AS IT
16 IS THE ONLY MAJOR FREESTANDING A.I.D.S. FACILITY IN THE BLACK
17 COMMUNITY, THE FASTEST GROWING GROUP OF NEW A.I.D.S. CASES IN
18 CALIFORNIA, IT WOULD BE-- IT WOULD SEND A TERRIBLE SIGNAL FOR
19 THIS FACILITY TO CLOSE. FURTHERMORE, AS AN ANCHOR IN THE URBAN
20 RENEWAL OF WEST ADAMS COMMUNITY, CLOSING CARL BEAN WOULD BE A
21 MAJOR SETBACK. I'M HOPING THAT YOU WOULD RECONSIDER YOUR
22 DECISION AND CONTINUE TO FUND THIS FACILITY AS IT IS VERY
23 IMPORTANT TO ME AS WELL AS MY COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I JUST ASK QUESTION?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU HAVE A CLINIC THERE?

5

6 **ANGELA TYLER:** YES. THERE'S THE MAGIC JOHNSON CLINIC THAT'S
7 ACTUALLY IN THE BASEMENT OF THE FACILITY.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** HOW MANY DAYS ARE YOU OPEN?

10

11 **ANGELA TYLER:** WE ARE OPEN, RIGHT NOW, ONE DAY.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** HOW MANY PATIENTS DO YOU SEE A WEEK?

14

15 **ANGELA TYLER:** I DO NOT HAVE THE EXACT NUMBER FOR YOU.

16

17 **FEMALE VOICE:** 92.

18

19 **ANGELA TYLER:** 92. I'M SORRY.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** A WEEK?

22

23 **ANGELA TYLER:** IS IT A WEEK OR A MONTH OR A YEAR?

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** OR A YEAR?



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2 **ANGELA TYLER:** 92 TOTAL.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** TOTAL. AND YOU'RE OPEN ONE DAY A WEEK?

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6 **ANGELA TYLER:** YES.

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** AND ARE YOU PLANNING TO CLOSE?

9

10 **ANGELA TYLER:** WELL, THAT'S CONTINGENT UPON WHAT HAPPENS WITH
11 THE FUNDING THAT HAS TO BE WORKED OUT WITH THE A.I.D.S.
12 HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** IF THEY SIGN THIS CONTRACT THAT WE'RE OFFERING,
15 WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR THE FUNDING OF CARL BEAN, WOULD YOU
16 THEN REMAIN?

17

18 **ANGELA TYLER:** WE WOULD DO OUR BEST TO REMAIN, YES.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO THEN CALL UP
21 MATT HAMILTON. YES, SIR.

22

23 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M ADAM OUDERKIRK. I'M THE
24 DIRECTOR OF CONTRACTS FOR A.H.F. I JUST WANT TO TALK A LITTLE
25 BIT ABOUT THE HISTORY, SOME NUMBERS, I'M THE NUMBERS PERSON



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1 SO... OVER THIS PERIOD OF TIME THAT WE'VE BEEN OPERATING IN
2 THIS CURRENT CONTRACT, WE ARE AVERAGING BETWEEN 5.6 AND 6.3
3 COUNTY RESPONSIBLE CLIENTS PER BED DAY, SO EACH DAY, AND, IF
4 YOU EXTRAPOLATE THAT OUT FOR A YEAR, THAT COMES TO SOMEWHERE
5 BETWEEN 2,000 AND 2,200 BED DAYS THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE TO THE
6 COUNTY. OUR NET COST PER BED DAY IS 468.45. THE COUNTY RATE IS
7 AT 360, SO WE'RE ALREADY COVERING ABOUT \$200,000 PER YEAR
8 ABOVE THE 800,000 THAT WE'RE ALREADY SUBSIDIZING THE HOUSE OUT
9 OF OTHER A.H.F. FUNDS. IF WE ARE REDUCED TO THIS LOWER AMOUNT
10 FOR NEXT YEAR, NOT ONLY WILL WE NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE AS MANY
11 SERVICES BUT WE'LL ALSO HAVE HAVE TO FUND MORE OF THE HOUSE
12 FROM OTHER FUNDS, TAKING AWAY MONEYS FROM OTHER NEEDED
13 SERVICES BY ABOUT \$500,000. SO A SIGNIFICANT CHUNK OF CHANGE
14 TO TAKE AWAY FROM MEDICAL SERVICES, OTHER SERVICES THAT A.H.F.
15 PROVIDES. ALSO, OVER THE PAST YEAR AND EVEN BEFORE LAST YEAR,
16 WE HAVE BEEN IN DISCUSSION WITH MR. SCHUNHOFF, WITH MR. PEREZ
17 IN TRYING TO WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT THAT WOULD WORK FOR BOTH
18 THE COUNTY AND A.H.F. AND FOR ALL THOSE CLIENTS THAT ARE NOT
19 BEING-- NOT GOING TO BE SERVED. UP UNTIL LAST FRIDAY, WE HAD
20 AN AGREEMENT THAT WE'RE MOVING FORWARD WITH. AS OF FRIDAY
21 MORNING, WE HAD THAT AGREEMENT. AS OF FRIDAY LATE AFTERNOON,
22 ALL OF A SUDDEN WE GET A CALL SAYING THAT WE DON'T HAVE THAT
23 AGREEMENT ANY MORE. WE HAD NOT COME TO FINAL TERMS ON THAT
24 AGREEMENT BUT IT WAS AN AGREEMENT MADE BETWEEN MR. SCHUNHOFF,
25 MR. PEREZ, MYSELF, MR. WEINSTEIN. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY ALL



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1 OF A SUDDEN THINGS HAVE CHANGED. WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN WE'RE
2 GIVEN THIS OPTION FOR CLOSURE, THAT WE HAVE TO GIVE A NOTICE
3 OF CLOSURE BY FRIDAY, AND THAT, AGAIN, WE'RE PUSHED TO THE
4 LAST MINUTE IN TERMS OF NEGOTIATING TERMS, JUST LIKE WE WERE
5 LAST YEAR. SO I'M REQUESTING THAT WE GET A CONTINUANCE SO THAT
6 WE GET SOME CHANCE TO RESPOND TO WHAT WAS PROPOSED, WHAT WAS
7 IN THE BOARD LETTER THAT WE DID NOT SEE TODAY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXCUSE ME. CAN I JUST...

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SURPRISED THAT WHY YOU WONDER WHY
14 THERE'S THIS OPTION THAT THEY RAISED. YOU REPRESENT A.H.F.

15

16 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A.H.F. HAS BEEN TELLING ANYBODY WHO WILL
19 LISTEN FOR THE LAST WEEK OR 10 DAYS THAT, IF IT DOESN'T GET
20 MORE MONEY, IT'S GOING TO CLOSE CARL BEAN. SO THE ISSUE NOW,
21 AS YOU MAY HAVE GLEANED FROM MY OWN QUESTIONS A FEW MINUTES
22 AGO, IS NOT JUST THE ISSUE OF FUNDING NOW, IT'S ALSO THE
23 CLOSURE OF BEAN. YOU HAVE SUCCESSFULLY MADE THAT THE ISSUE. SO
24 NOW THAT WE HAVE ONE OF TWO CHOICES: WE CAN EITHER FUND IT TO
25 THE LEVEL THAT A.H.F. IS ASKING US TO FUND IT OR WE CAN, WE,



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1 THE COUNTY, CAN SEEK ANOTHER WAY TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE
2 PATIENTS WHO ARE SERVED BY BEAN, AT LEAST OUR PATIENTS WHO ARE
3 SERVED BY BEAN. WE WOULD BE LESS THAN RESPONSIBLE IF WE DIDN'T
4 HAVE AN OPTION, AND THAT'S WHAT I THINK THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 HEALTH SERVICES IS SUGGESTING IN THEIR LETTER THIS MORNING.
6 THAT, IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS A CLOSURE, AS THREATENED BY
7 A.H.F., A CLOSURE OF CARL BEAN, WHAT DO WE DO? AND WE NEED TO
8 BE PREPARED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. YOU UNDERSTAND THAT? IS
9 THAT MY-- AM I IN SPACE OR WHAT?

10

11 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** YES, I DO UNDERSTAND THAT AND, WHILE WE
12 UNDERSTAND THAT THE COUNTY NEEDS SOME PROCEDURE TO CLOSE THE
13 FACILITY OR TO MAKE TRANSFERS BECAUSE, OF COURSE, THEY'D WANT
14 TO DO THAT, WANT TAKE CARE OF OUR CLIENTS FIRST, WHAT I'M
15 SURPRISED AT IS THE QUICK CHANGE FROM WHAT WAS THE AGREEMENT
16 AS OF FRIDAY MORNING...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WAS YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE
19 AGREEMENT WAS?

20

21 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** THERE WAS AN AGREEMENT THAT THE EXISTING
22 CONTRACT WOULD BE EXTENDED ON THE TERMS THAT WE'RE CURRENTLY
23 UNDER FOR SIX MONTHS SO THAT MR. PEREZ AND MR. SCHUNHOFF COULD
24 EXPLORE ANOTHER OPTION THAT WE PRESENTED TO THEM IN A MEETING.
25 AND WHAT I'M SURPRISED ABOUT IS THAT, ALL OF A SUDDEN, IT'S AN



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1 ISSUE THAT THEY CAN'T NEGOTIATE OTHER RATES, THAT WE CAN'T DO
2 SOMETHING ELSE WHEN THEY'VE BEEN DOING THAT FOR ABOUT THE LAST
3 MONTH. WE'VE BEEN IN SEVERAL MEETINGS WITH THEM OVER THE LAST
4 MONTH. WE HAD COME TO AN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND FOR SIX MONTHS SO
5 THAT MR. PEREZ'S OFFICE WOULD HAVE TIME TO LOOK AT A PROPOSAL
6 THAT WE GAVE THEM. THAT WAS THE AGREEMENT THAT WE HAD COME
7 TO...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT AWARE OF THE AGREEMENT. I WASN'T A
10 PARTY TO THAT AGREEMENT. I DON'T THINK ANYBODY ELSE ON THE
11 BOARD IS...

12

13 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. AND I THINK THAT'S WHY I
14 NEEDED TO BRING IT UP.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S FINE. LET ME ASK YOU A
17 QUESTION. HOW LONG DO YOU THINK IT WOULD TAKE YOU TO-- WHAT DO
18 YOU THINK IS AN APPROPRIATE LENGTH OF TIME TO NEGOTIATE RATES
19 AND ALL THOSE OTHER THINGS THAT MIGHT BRING-- MIGHT MAKE IT
20 POSSIBLE FOR THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE-- OR FOR-- FOR AN
21 AGREEMENT TO BE REACHED THAT WOULD BE SATISFACTORY TO US AND
22 TO YOU?

23

24 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** I WOULD CERTAINLY THINK...

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 30 DAYS?

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3 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** I WOULD CERTAINLY THINK 30 DAYS WOULD BE
4 APPROPRIATE BECAUSE THAT WOULDN'T BE TOO LONG OF A TIME FOR
5 THE COUNTY OR FOR A.H.F. TO WAIT AND WE WOULD CERTAINLY BE
6 GLAD TO WORK WITHIN THAT.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I ASK...

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** THIS WAS AN R.F.P.

13

14 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** DID YOU RESPOND TO IT?

17

18 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** YES, WE DID.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** DID IT HAVE RATES IN IT?

21

22 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** YES, IT DID.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** AND ARE THE RATES THAT ARE IN IT THE ONES THAT ARE
25 IN THE CONTRACT THAT WE'RE PROPOSING?



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2 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** YES, THEY ARE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT WE EVEN ADDED ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS WHICH THERE'S
5 A QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT THAT WAS INVALID. HAVE YOUR
6 ATTORNEYS LOOKED AT THAT ISSUES OF WHETHER OR NOT-- IF THERE'S
7 AN R.F.P. AND A RESPONSE TO AN R.F.P. BY TWO DIFFERENT
8 CONTRACTORS, COULD YOU THEN CHANGE THE RATES? AND I WONDER
9 ABOUT THAT.

10

11 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** I CAN'T SPEAK TO WHETHER OUR ATTORNEYS HAVE
12 LOOKED AT IT OR NOT AND I CAN'T SPEAK TO THE COUNTY, EITHER,
13 BUT BEING THAT MR. SCHUNHOFF AND MR. PEREZ WERE WILLING TO
14 NEGOTIATE AND DISCUSS AN ALTERNATE AGREEMENT MAKES ME THINK
15 THAT THEY HAD AT LEAST HAD SOME GUIDANCE ON THAT MATTER.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, NOW, MY RECOLLECTION IS THAT WE HAD-- THIS
18 CAME BEFORE US LAST YEAR AND WE EXTENDED IT ON YOUR OLD TERMS
19 THAT TIME-- THEN.

20

21 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** ACTUALLY, THE TERMS WERE SLIGHTLY CHANGED BUT
22 YES.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. NOW, THIS TIME WE HAD AN R.F.P. SO
25 EVERYONE WOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THE TERMS AND REVIEW



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1 THEM. YOU HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT THEM, REVIEW THEM AND YOU
2 RESPONDED. WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO AN
3 R.F.P. WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT, ONCE THE CONTRACT IS READY
4 TO BE SIGNED, YOU'RE GOING TO CHANGE THE TERMS.

5

6 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** WE RESPONDED TO THE R.F.P. BECAUSE WE--
7 BECAUSE WE BASICALLY FELT WE HAD TO RESPOND IN SOME WAY TO THE
8 R.F.P. WE RESPONDED TO THE MOST THAT WE COULD RESPOND TO ON
9 THE R.F.P. WE ALSO WERE ALL, THIS WHOLE PAST YEAR, IN
10 NEGOTIATIONS, IN CONVERSATION, IN CONSTANT DISCUSSION WITH
11 O.A.P.P. AND MR. SCHUNHOFF ABOUT LOOKING AT A BETTER WAY TO
12 CONTRACT FOR THESE SERVICES, MAYBE TO MAKE A DIFFERENT KIND OF
13 RATE SYSTEM, TO LOOK AT A DIFFERENT WAY OF WHAT KINDS OF
14 SERVICES WERE BEING PROVIDED AT THE HOUSE BECAUSE WE PROVIDE
15 DIFFERENT SERVICES THAN WELLS HOUSE OR ANY OTHER HOSPICE CAN
16 PROVIDE. WE HAVE THREE LEVELS OF SERVICE. SO WE WERE IN
17 DISCUSSION. AND I UNDERSTAND YOUR CONFUSION BUT WE FELT THAT
18 WE NEEDED TO RESPOND TO THE R.F.P. AND ALSO CONTINUE OUR
19 DISCUSSION.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION AND THEN-- ARE YOU
22 THE ONE WHO DOES THE BILLING?

23

24 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** I OVERSEE THE BILLING, YES.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU KNOW, THERE IS A QUESTION OF THE BILLING AND
2 MY QUESTION IS THIS: IS IT YOUR POSITION THAT THE COUNTY IS
3 GOING TO HAVE TO SUBSIDIZE ALL THE OTHER PATIENTS THERE IN
4 ORDER FOR YOU TO SURVIVE?

5

6 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** NO. WE WOULD LIKE THE COUNTY TO PAY FOR THE
7 ACTUAL COSTS OF THE COUNTY-RESPONSIBLE CLIENTS.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. NOW, HAVE YOU-- ARE YOU GOING TO
10 RESPOND TO THE AUDIT OR HAVE YOU?

11

12 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** WE HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO THE AUDIT BECAUSE
13 NONE OF THE AUDITS HAVE BEEN FINALIZED AND THERE HAS BEEN NO
14 FINAL REPORT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU'RE AWARE OF WHAT THE ISSUES ARE IN THE AUDIT?

17

18 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** IN THE UNFINISHED AUDIT? YES.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST FOLLOW UP ON ONE QUESTION THAT
23 MS. BURKE HAD?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN YOU RESPONDED TO THIS R.F.P., KNOWING
3 WHAT THE POTENTIAL AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WAS AVAILABLE FOR
4 THOSE SELECTED FOR THE R.F.P., YOU SAY YOU RESPONDED TO IT
5 BECAUSE YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD TO. WAS IT YOUR EXPECTATION THAT,
6 EVEN IF YOU HAD RECEIVED ALL OF THE MONEY IN THIS R.F.P. OR
7 THE AMOUNT THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED-- BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR YOU
8 TO RECEIVE, THAT, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER YOU HAD OR HAD NOT
9 RECEIVED IT, THAT YOU WERE PREPARED TO CLOSE CARL BEAN HOUSE
10 IF YOU DIDN'T GET MORE MONEY THAN WAS CONTAINED IN THE R.F.P.?

11

12 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** THAT IS NOT WHAT I UNDERSTAND OUR POSITION IS
13 AT ALL.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THEN WHEN DID YOUR AGENCY MAKE THE
16 DECISION THAT IT WOULD HAVE TO CLOSE THE CARL BEAN HOUSE?

17

18 **ADAM OUDERKIRK:** WE HAVEN'T MADE THAT DECISION YET. WE ARE
19 STILL LOOKING AT WHETHER WE CAN AFFORD TO KEEP THE FACILITY
20 OPEN. IF WE ARE NOT...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO ALL OF YOUR CLIENTS WHO CAME HERE TODAY
23 SAYING, "DON'T CLOSE IT," THEY WERE NOT PROMPTED BY ANYBODY
24 WITH A.H.F. TO COME HERE UNDER THE GUISE THAT WE WERE GOING TO
25 CLOSE IT?



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2 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** WE ARE CONCERNED THAT, WITHOUT APPROPRIATE
3 FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY, BASICALLY AT THE LEVEL THAT WE HAVE
4 HAD, THAT WE WILL HAVE TO CLOSE THE FACILITY. WHAT I'M SAYING
5 IS THAT WE HAVE NOT MADE THE DECISION YET TO CLOSE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. AND ARE YOU SAYING THAT, WHEN YOU
8 RESPONDED TO THE R.F.P., I DON'T KNOW, MR. SCHUNHOFF, WHY
9 DON'T YOU COME OVER HERE SO THAT WE CAN HAVE-- OR WHOEVER IS
10 THE APPROPRIATE PERSON. I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND SOMETHING
11 HERE. WHILE YOU'RE WALKING, I'LL ASK THE QUESTION. WERE THE
12 POTENTIAL RESPONDERS TO THE R.F.P. AWARE OF HOW MUCH MONEY WAS
13 POTENTIALLY AVAILABLE? OR WAS IT AN OPEN-ENDED THING AS FAR AS
14 A.H.F. AND WELLS AND AS FAR AS ANYBODY ELSE WAS CONCERNED?

15

16 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THE R.F.P...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD YOU TURN ON HIS MICROPHONE? THANK YOU.

19

20 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THE R.F.P. INDICATED THAT THE O.A.P.P. HAD
21 BUDGETED \$390,000 FOR THIS SERVICES BUT IT ALSO INDICATED THAT
22 THE PROPOSERS COULD-- THAT MORE MONEY MIGHT BE ADDED,
23 DEPENDING UPON THE AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES AND THE NEED FOR
24 THIS SERVICE AND THAT THE PROPOSERS COULD PROPOSE AS MUCH AS
25 THEY WISHED TO IN TERMS OF THEIR BUDGET AT THOSE RATES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MUCH DID A.H.F. PROPOSE?

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4 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SLIGHTLY OVER A MILLION-TWO.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. BUT ALL YOU SAID THAT YOU WERE
7 ASSURED WOULD BE AVAILABLE WAS THE LOWER NUMBER?

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9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT DID THE OTHER-- IS IT WELLS?

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13 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** YES.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DID THEY PROPOSE?

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17 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** THEY PROPOSED TO PROVIDE THE-- THEY
18 PROPOSED \$390,000. THEY PROPOSED THE HUNDRED DAYS OF HOSPICE
19 AND THE THOUSAND DAYS OF SKILLED NURSING.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO MY QUESTION BACK TO YOU, THEN, IS THIS:
22 WERE YOU OF THE VIEW THAT, IF YOU DID NOT GET \$1.2 MILLION OR
23 SOMETHING CLOSE TO \$1.2 MILLION, THAT YOU WOULD BE FORCED TO
24 CLOSE BEAN HOUSE?

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1 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** AGAIN, AT THE TIME OF THE R.F.P., WE HAD NOT
2 MADE ANY DECISION ABOUT THE FUTURE OF BEAN HOUSE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU MADE THAT DECISION NOW?

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6 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** NO.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEN WHY AM I RECEIVING COMMUNICATIONS THAT
9 SAY TO THE CONTRARY?

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11 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** BECAUSE THERE IS A QUESTION WHETHER WE CAN
12 STAY OPEN OR NOT. WE HAVE NOT MADE THAT DECISION YET. GIVEN
13 THAT WE WOULD NOT BE FUNDED AT THE 1.2 LEVEL, THERE'S A
14 SERIOUS POSSIBILITY, AND I THINK MORE THAN A POSSIBILITY THAT
15 WE WOULD HAVE TO CLOSE. HOWEVER, WE HAVE NOT MADE THAT
16 DECISION AND WE WON'T-- AND I CAN'T SPEAK ANY MORE TO WHETHER
17 THAT DECISION HAS GONE ANY FURTHER THAN A SERIOUS POSSIBILITY,
18 BECAUSE THAT'S ALL I KNOW.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT 1.2 MILLION MR. SCHUNHOFF, WAS THAT--
21 THE PREVIOUS 1.2 MILLION THAT WE HAVE FUNDED THIS PARTICULAR
22 FACILITY, WAS THAT-- WHAT WERE THE SOURCES OF THOSE FUNDS?
23 WHAT WAS THE SOURCE OF THOSE FUNDS?

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25 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** THE SOURCE OF THAT FUNDS IS NET COUNTY COST.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND, PRIOR TO THIS LAST YEAR, WAS THERE AN
3 ORIGINAL ONE-TIME PILOT GRANT OR FEDERAL GRANT THAT ORIGINALLY
4 FUNDED THIS AND THEN WE BACKFILLED IT WHEN IT CEASED TO BE
5 AVAILABLE WITH NET COUNTY COSTS?

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7 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** NOT EXACTLY, SUPERVISOR. THE A.I.D.S.
8 HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION CONTRACT WAS FUNDED AT A MILLION-SEVEN
9 AT THE RATE OF \$425 A DAY FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. IT WAS OUR
10 PERCEPTION THAT THE PERCENTAGE OF HOSPICE PATIENTS WAS GOING
11 DOWN AND THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS WHO WERE ACTUALLY BEING BILLED
12 TO THE CONTRACT WHO ARE PART OF THIS START PROGRAM WAS GOING
13 UP AND WE DIDN'T BELIEVE THAT THE START PATIENTS, EXCEPT TO
14 THE EXTENT THAT THEY REALLY NEED SKILLED NURSING CARE, WERE
15 ELIGIBLE PATIENTS UNDER THE CONTRACT. BUT THE-- AND ALSO, AT
16 ONE POINT IN TIME DATING BACK I THINK TO ABOUT 1998 OR NINE,
17 THE A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION HAD RECEIVED A FEDERAL EAR
18 MARK FOR THE START PROGRAM AND THEN WE WERE TOLD THAT THEY HAD
19 SUBSEQUENTLY USED THEIR EAR MARK FOR OTHER-- OTHER OUTPATIENT
20 SERVICES IN OTHER COUNTIES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT MY PROBLEM IS AND HOW
23 THIS-- HOW I PERCEIVE IT? AND I CAN'T SPEAK FOR ANY OF MY
24 COLLEAGUES BUT THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME AND I'VE BEEN A
25 FRIEND OF A.H.F., I THINK AS GOOD A FRIEND OF A.H.F. AS



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1 ANYBODY ELSE. YOU HAVE A LOT OF GOOD FRIENDS. BUT YOU SEE THIS
2 IS NOT THE FIRST TIME THAT THE CARL BEAN HOUSE, WHICH IS A
3 GREAT FACILITY, HAS BEEN-- AT LEAST IT IS NOT UNREASONABLE FOR
4 SOMEBODY TO PERCEIVE THAT IT'S BEING USED ALMOST AS A HOSTAGE
5 TO GET MORE FUNDING OUT OF THE COUNTY THAN IS REALLY
6 APPROPRIATE. DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHY WE'RE SITTING HERE-- SOME
7 OF US ARE SITTING HERE ASKING OURSELVES, WHY IS IT THAT, EVERY
8 TIME THERE'S AN ISSUE-- I SHOULDN'T SAY EVERY TIME BUT IN MORE
9 RECENT TIMES, EVERY TIME THERE'S AN ISSUE WITH A.H.F., IT GOES
10 FROM ZERO TO 60 IN ONE SECOND, FROM A FUNDING ISSUE TO "WE'RE
11 GOING TO HAVE TO CLOSE CARL BEAN HOUSE," AND THEN, AT SOME
12 POINT, YOUR BLUFF IS GOING TO BE CALLED, IF IT IS A BLUFF, AND
13 THEN-- BECAUSE WE CAN'T CONTINUE TO OPERATE THIS WAY, AND I DO
14 THINK MRS. BURKE IS QUITE CORRECT IN RAISING THE ISSUE OF THE
15 APPROPRIATENESS ONCE AN R.F.P. IS DONE, ONCE THE RESPONSES ARE
16 SUBMITTED, THEN TO START NEGOTIATING RATES. MAYBE IT'S NOT
17 INAPPROPRIATE, BUT THERE IS A CERTAIN-- THIS IS NOT A COMMON
18 PRACTICE WHEN IT COMES TO R.F.P.S AND I THINK YOU WOULD FIND A
19 MUCH MORE RECEPTIVE, SPEAKING FOR ME, I'D BE A LOT MORE
20 RECEPTIVE TO YOUR ENTREATIES IF SOME OF THIS HAD BEEN SOLVED
21 AHEAD OF TIME AND THAT IT WASN'T JUST "WE'LL TAKE WHAT WE CAN
22 GET AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO THREATEN TO CLOSE CARL BEAN HOUSE
23 AND SEE WHAT MORE WE CAN GET BECAUSE IT WORKED ONCE BEFORE, IT
24 WILL WORK AGAIN." IT WON'T WORK AGAIN. SO I THINK YOU NEED TO
25 BE-- AND THAT'S WHY I THINK THE STAFF, AS I READ THEIR



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1 RECOMMENDATION THIS MORNING, IS LAYING THE GROUNDWORK IN THE
2 EVENT YOU DO CHOOSE TO CLOSE, AND IT'S YOUR CHOICE TO CLOSE,
3 NOT OUR CHOICE, YOUR CHOICE TO CLOSE. WE'LL TAKE CARE OF OUR
4 PATIENTS. I WANT TO MAKE THAT REAL CLEAR. AS I UNDERSTAND IT,
5 AND I'VE TALKED TO YOU PRIVATELY ABOUT IT, DR. FIELDING, AND--
6 LAST WEEK AND I WANT TO UNDERSTAND IT PUBLICLY AGAIN TODAY,
7 THAT OUR CLIENTS, THE COUNTY'S CLIENTS WHO ARE HOUSED AT CARL
8 BEAN HOUSE WILL BE CARED FOR ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. IS THAT
9 CORRECT?

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THAT IS CORRECT. ON AVERAGE FROM THE
12 LAST REPORT I HAD, WE HAD AN AVERAGE OF THREE PATIENTS THERE
13 OUT OF THIS 25-BED FACILITY. WE WILL TAKE CARE OF THOSE
14 PATIENTS. I ALSO WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY
15 PROBLEM WITH THE QUALITY OF CARE, THAT WE THINK THEY PROVIDE
16 EXCELLENT QUALITY OF CARE. IT'S NOT ABOUT QUALITY OF CARE AT
17 ALL.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOBODY HAS EVER RAISED A QUESTION ABOUT THE
20 QUALITY OF CARE. IT'S OUTSTANDING.

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WHAT IS THE ISSUE?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK THE ISSUE IS SIMPLY HOW MUCH WE
2 PAY FOR COUNTY-RESPONSIBLE PATIENTS AND WHETHER THAT'S ENOUGH
3 TO MEET THE GAP THAT A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATIONS FEEL THEY
4 HAVE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN YOU ADDRESS THE ISSUE THAT THE GENTLEMAN
7 RAISED ABOUT THE UNDERSTANDING THAT HE HAD WITH YOU AND
8 EVERYBODY ELSE, APPARENTLY.

9

10 **ADAM OUDEKIRK:** MAY I MAKE JUST A COMMENT? I JUST WANT TO
11 POINT OUT THAT WHETHER THE DISCUSSION OF RATES AFTER AN R.F.P.
12 IS APPROPRIATE OR NOT, WE WOULDN'T HAVE HAD THOSE DISCUSSIONS,
13 WE WOULDN'T HAVE CONTINUED THE DISCUSSIONS NOR WOULD WE HAVE
14 BEEN ABLE TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSIONS WITHOUT THE ACTIVE
15 PARTICIPATION OF MR. SCHUNHOFF AND MR. PEREZ.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. I THINK WHAT MR.
18 SCHUNHOFF IS TRYING TO DO IS TRYING TO RECONCILE A PROBLEM,
19 TRYING TO DEAL WITH AN ISSUE HERE. I THINK HE'S DOING WHAT ANY
20 RESPONSIBLE AND COMPASSIONATE INDIVIDUAL WOULD TRY TO DO. BUT
21 THERE'S A LIMIT TO WHAT HE CAN DO AND, FRANKLY, THERE'S A
22 LIMIT TO WHAT WE CAN DO BUT CAN YOU ADDRESS WHAT HE ADDRESSED
23 EARLIER? I'M DONE.

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1 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** SURE. AT THE-- ONCE WE ANNOUNCE THE RESULTS OF
2 THE R.F.P., WE WERE CONTACTED BY A.H.F., WHO ASKED TO HAVE A
3 MEETING AND SO WE AGREED TO MEET WITH THEM. AND WE HAD TWO
4 MEETINGS AND A CONFERENCE CALL-- I GUESS TWO CONFERENCE CALLS.
5 AND, AT THE FIRST MEETING, A.H.F. BROUGHT ITS MEDICAL DIRECTOR
6 AND TALKED ABOUT THE START PROGRAM, AND WE BASICALLY INDICATED
7 THAT THAT WASN'T WHAT WE BELIEVED WAS IN THE SCOPE OF WORK
8 THAT WE WERE-- THAT THE PATIENT THAT WE WERE SEEKING TO PAY
9 FOR. WE-- THEY BROUGHT SOME OF THEIR COST DATA. THEY INDICATED
10 TO US THAT IT COSTS ABOUT \$468 A DAY TO OPERATE THE FACILITY.
11 WE LOOKED AT A COUPLE OTHER ISSUES. AT THE SECOND MEETING,
12 A.H.F. SUGGESTED THAT THEY HAD PATIENTS WHO-- FOR WHOM SKILLED
13 NURSING PATIENTS FOR WHOM THE ACUITY IS GREATER THAN OTHERS
14 AND THAT THESE WERE ESSENTIALLY SUB-ACUTE PATIENTS AND THEY
15 CITED, FOR PATIENTS WITH INTRAVENOUS THERAPY, PATIENTS WHO
16 NEED PHYSICAL THERAPY AND PATIENTS-- I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER
17 THE THIRD-- WOUND CARE. AND SO WE AGREED TO LOOK AT THAT, TO
18 SEE WHETHER THAT WAS, IN FACT, THE CASE. WE WERE UP AGAINST A
19 FAIRLY TIGHT TIMETABLE THERE AND, AT THE TIME, THE MEDICAL
20 DIRECTOR OF THE A.I.D.S. PROGRAM WAS AWAY. WE ASKED TO
21 BASICALLY LOOK AT THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THERE WAS A SECOND
22 LEVEL OF CARE, BECAUSE THEY WERE PROPOSING THAT WE WOULD FUND
23 THEM AT \$475 A DAY FOR A GROUP OF PATIENTS WHO WERE MORE LIKE
24 SUB-ACUTE. ONCE WE HAD A CHANCE TO TALK TO THE MEDICAL
25 DIRECTOR OF THE A.I.D.S. PROGRAM AND THE PROGRAM STAFF THERE,



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1 THEY ACTUALLY BELIEVED THAT THE SERVICES FOR INTRAVENOUS
2 THERAPY, FOR WOUND CARE, ET CETERA, REALLY ARE WITHIN WHAT WE
3 PUT OUT WITHIN THE R.F.P., BUT THAT'S PART OF THE SKILLED
4 NURSING CARE THAT'S EXPECTED WITHIN A FACILITY. WE ALSO THEN
5 HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH COUNTY COUNSEL,
6 WHO BELIEVED THAT, BASED UPON THE R.F.P., IT WOULD BE
7 DIFFICULT FOR US THEN TO GO AND OFFER A CONTRACT THAT WAS
8 OTHER THAN THAT. WE HAD INITIALLY AGREED TO PROPOSE THAT WE
9 HAVE A SIX-MONTH EXTENSION TO THE EXISTING AGREEMENT TO WORK
10 THESE ISSUES OUT. BUT, IN THE MEANTIME, WE CAME TO BELIEVE
11 THAT WE REALLY COULD NOT GO FORWARD WITH THAT AND THAT THERE
12 WAS NOT A BASIS FOR A HIGHER RATE. SO THE DEPARTMENT HAS
13 RECOMMENDED WHAT IS IN THE BOARD LETTER AND WHAT WE PRESENTED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? OKAY.

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17 **DEA MARSHEE SMITH-STARKS:** I THINK I'M NEXT. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY
18 NAME IS DEA MARSHEE SMITH-STARKS, AND I DO WORK FOR THE
19 A.I.D.S. HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION. I FORMERLY WORKED IN THE
20 UNITED STATES SENATE, ALSO FOR THE NATIONAL MINORITY A.I.D.S.
21 COUNCIL AND I'M A FORMER MISS BLACK U.S.A. MY PLATFORM WAS
22 H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. EDUCATION AND PREVENTION BUT TODAY I SPEAK
23 FROM THE HEART. I MENTIONED THOSE OTHER THINGS ONLY TO SAY
24 THAT I DO UNDERSTAND THE POLITICS AND THE POLICIES BEHIND WHAT
25 IS GOING ON WITH CARL BEAN BUT I HONESTLY WANT TO SPEAK



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1 BECAUSE, LIKE MANY PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM, I'M SURE THAT MANY OF
2 US KNOW PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN LIVING WITH AND/OR HAVE DIED FROM
3 H.I.V./A.I.D.S., AND PERHAPS MANY OF US, LIKE MYSELF, HAVE HAD
4 FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE HAD THAT EXPERIENCE. I SIMPLY WANT TO
5 SAY THAT I'VE TRAVELED THE WORLD ADDRESSING THE ISSUES OF
6 H.I.V./A.I.D.S. AND, EVEN AS MY FATHER HAD THE LAST DAYS OF
7 HIS LIFE UPON SEEING AND BEING INVOLVED WITH THE CARL BEAN
8 FACILITY, I ONLY WISH, TRULY ONLY WISH HE COULD HAVE HAD THE
9 BENEFIT OF CARL BEAN AND THAT HE COULD HAVE LIVED FOR THE TIME
10 THAT HE HAD A.I.D.S. AND DIED WITH THE LEVEL OF DIGNITY THAT
11 THAT FACILITY PROVIDES. I REMEMBER GOING TO CARL BEAN FOR THE
12 FIRST TIME. I LITERALLY COULD NOT FUNCTION. I WAS SO
13 OVERWHELMED BY WHAT I EXPERIENCED THERE. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT
14 THERE ARE MANY ISSUES THAT ARE ON THE TABLE. I ONLY REQUEST
15 AND ASK THAT PEOPLE LIKE MY FATHER WHO LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY
16 AND BEYOND BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND DIE WITH THE
17 DIGNITY THAT CARL BEAN PROVIDES BECAUSE IT IS A MATTER OF LIFE
18 AND DEATH BEYOND THE POLICY. THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **DR. PAUL DEN OUDEN:** MY NAME IS DR. PAUL DEN OUDEN. IN THE
23 INTERESTS OF TIME, I HAVE ANOTHER FULL-TIME H.I.V. PHYSICIAN
24 IN L.A. COUNTY WHO TRAVELED A WAYS TO GET HERE AND I'D LIKE TO
25 GIVE MY TIME TO DR. ARTES MOE, IF POSSIBLE.



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2 **DR. ARTES MOE:** THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
3 OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ARTES MOE. I'M A PHYSICIAN AT
4 U.C.L.A., I'M A FULL-TIME A.I.D.S. DOCTOR. I DO A.I.D.S.
5 RESEARCH AND TAKE CARE OF A.I.D.S. PATIENTS. I'VE BEEN TAKING
6 CARE OF A.I.D.S. PATIENTS FOR 19 YEARS AND I CAN TELL YOU FROM
7 MY EXPERIENCE THAT I ABSOLUTELY RELY UPON CARL BEAN HOUSE TO
8 COMPLETE THE CARE OF MY PATIENTS. SOME OF THEM ARE VERY
9 COMPLICATED NOW. FOR EXAMPLE, I HAD A GENTLEMAN WHO HAD A
10 RECENT AMPUTATION. HE HAD TO BE FED THROUGH A TUBE IN HIS
11 STOMACH AND REQUIRED A VERY COMPLICATED H.I.V. DRUG REGIMEN.
12 MY PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH OTHER NURSING HOMES IS THAT THE
13 PHYSICIANS AND THE NURSES THERE ARE VERY UNFAMILIAR WITH THE
14 MEDICATIONS, THEY DON'T WANT TO DEAL WITH H.I.V. POSITIVE
15 PATIENTS, THEY MAY BE JUST PLAINLY PREJUDICE AND CARL BEAN IS
16 THE ONLY PLACE THAT WOULD TAKE THAT PATIENT. AFTER THREE
17 MONTHS OF VERY INTENSIVE, EXCELLENT NURSING CARE AND PHYSICAL
18 THERAPY, THE PATIENT WAS ABLE TO GO HOME AND WAS ABLE TO
19 FUNCTION VERY WELL. SO THERE ARE MANY INSTANCES I COULD ALSO
20 QUOTE WHERE THIS INSTITUTION WAS LIFE SAVING. CARL BEAN, FOR
21 ME, PROVIDES THREE MAJOR SERVICES. IT IS THE BEST HOSPICE CARE
22 IN TOWN, I BELIEVE, AND FOR THOSE PATIENTS, PARTICULARLY WOMEN
23 OF COLOR, PERSONS OF COLOR, THERE REALLY IS VERY FEW OTHER
24 PLACES WHERE THEY CAN RECEIVE COMPREHENSIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL AND
25 MEDICAL CARE. THE OTHER THING THEY DO IS THE INTRAVENOUS AND



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1 PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES. AGAIN, MANY HOMES AND MY DISCHARGE
2 PLANNERS ALWAYS TELL ME IT'S HARD TO PLACE AN H.I.V. POSITIVE
3 PATIENT. THEY LINGER AT U.C.L.A. FOR WEEKS ON END WAITING FOR
4 A CARL BEAN BED. NO OTHER PLACE WILL TAKE THEM. THE OTHER
5 THING THEY DO IS THEIR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. AGAIN, I WORK IN
6 TWO CLINICS ACTUALLY, ONE IN U.C.L.A. AND ONE AT SOUTH CENTRAL
7 CALLED T.H.E. CLINIC, A CLINIC BASED FOR PEOPLE OF COLOR. THE
8 A.I.D.S. CLINIC THERE HAS MAINLY A WOMEN-BASED POPULATION AND
9 THAT'S ONE OF THE FEW INSTITUTIONS THAT PROVIDES THE
10 EDUCATIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL SUPPORTS FOR THAT
11 POPULATION AS WELL. AGAIN, I CAME TO SAY THAT SUPPORT. I'M
12 WILLING TO ANSWER ANY OTHER QUESTIONS THAT I POSSIBLY COULD
13 GIVE YOU FOLKS ON THIS ISSUE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR?

16

17 **MATT HAMILTON:** HI. MY NAME IS MATT HAMILTON. I'M THE DIRECTOR
18 IF H.I.V./A.I.D.S. POLICY AT THE L.A. GAY AND LESBIAN CENTER.
19 I DON'T WANT TO TAKE UP MORE OF YOUR TIME. IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU
20 HAVE A VERY GOOD GRASP OF THE SITUATION. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY,
21 THOUGH, THAT AN R.F.P. PROCESS IS PUT INTO PLACE TO EQUALIZE
22 THINGS FOR AGENCIES AND GIVE A STRUCTURE TO IT. THIS ISN'T THE
23 ONLY CONTRACT YOU'RE BEING ASKED TO ACT ON TODAY AND I WOULD
24 SUGGEST THAT, IF THE CENTER HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME TO YOU
25 AND CHANGE THINGS RIGHT NOW, WE'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO DO SO.



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1 BUT, IN ALL SERIOUSNESS, THAT PROCESS IS PUT INTO PLACE FOR A
2 REASON AND THE DAY THAT IT IS TO BE EXECUTED IS JUST FRANKLY
3 UNACCEPTABLE TO CHANGE IT AT THAT POINT. YOU WOULD, IN
4 ESSENCE, THROW OUT THE ENTIRE PROCESS AND HAVE TO START OVER
5 AGAIN. THAT WOULD BE THE CENTER'S TAKE ON THINGS. SO I JUST
6 WANTED TO PUT THAT ON THE TABLE. THE OTHER THING, I'M A LITTLE
7 CONFUSED BECAUSE WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A HOSPICE CONTRACT BUT
8 I'M NOT HEARING THAT ADDRESSED. AND HOSPICE CARE, TO ME, IS
9 END-OF-LIFE CARE AND SO I'M A LITTLE-- I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED
10 AT THIS POINT ABOUT WHAT IS ACTUALLY BEING FUNDED. I'M NEW TO
11 L.A. BUT HOSPICE, AGAIN, IS END-OF-LIFE CARE AND SO I'M A
12 LITTLE CONFUSED WHY CARL BEAN WOULD BE FORCED TO CLOSE IF THE
13 HOSPICE BEDS DISAPPEARED BUT I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND
14 HAVE A GREAT AFTERNOON.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **MIKI JACKSON:** HI. I'M MIKI JACKSON. THERE ARE TWO OR THREE
19 RATHER TECHNICAL THINGS I WANT TO ADDRESS. ONE IS, AM I THE
20 ONLY PERSON THAT READ WEDNESDAY'S HEALTH DEPUTY'S LETTER? WE
21 WERE TALKING ABOUT THE AGREEMENT A.H.F. NEGOTIATED WAS AT 1.2
22 MILLION. THAT IS WHAT IS IN WEDNESDAY'S BOARD LETTER THAT WAS
23 PRESENTED TO THE HEALTH DEPUTIES. THAT IS WHY, WHEN IT CHANGED
24 FRIDAY NIGHT, THERE WAS A LOT OF SURPRISE. I THINK YOU CAN
25 UNDERSTAND WHY THERE WOULD BE SOME SURPRISE AFTER THAT. SECOND



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1 OF ALL, THIS PROCESS IS QUESTIONABLE TO ME, THE PROCESS UNDER
2 WHICH THE ACTUAL RATES WERE SET. NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN THAT
3 METHODOLOGY AND THAT METHODOLOGY WAS TO HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY
4 AND REVIEWED BY THE COMMISSION ON H.I.V. AND THEY HAVE NEVER
5 SEEN IT AND THIS CONCERNS THEM GREATLY, THAT WE'RE DISCUSSING
6 A METHODOLOGY THAT WAS PARTLY THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO REVIEW
7 AND THEY WERE NEVER SHOWN IT. THEY COULD NEVER GET THEIR HANDS
8 ON IT. ANOTHER ISSUE I WANT TO TAKE UP IS CONSTANTLY ACTING
9 LIKE IT WASN'T OKAY TO NEGOTIATE WITH THIS CONTRACT, THAT THAT
10 WOULD INVALIDATE THE CONTRACT, THAT THAT WOULD CHANGE THE
11 CONTRACT. THIS CONTRACT, UNLIKE MOST, WAS WRITTEN, THIS
12 R.F.P., WAS WRITTEN WITH A PROVISION FOR NEGOTIATION. I WOULD
13 APPRECIATE IT IF PEOPLE WOULD HONOR THAT INSTEAD OF JUST
14 CONVENIENTLY FORGETTING IT AND SAYING THAT YOU CAN'T NEGOTIATE
15 A CONTRACT. THIS WAS AN UNUSUAL CONTRACT. IT WAS WRITTEN WITH
16 NEGOTIATION IN IT. THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY IS I'VE BEEN
17 SOMEWHAT OFFENDED BY THE CONSTANT REFERENCE TO A DEBT A.H.F.
18 OWES. NO ONE KNOWS IF A.H.F. OWES A DOLLAR TO THE COUNTY
19 BECAUSE THOSE AUDITS HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I JUST CLARIFY ON THING?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I ASKED FOR A COPY OF WHAT WAS SUBMITTED TO THE
2 HEALTH DEPUTY. THE 1.2 IS FOR THREE YEARS.

3

4 **MIKI JACKSON:** NO, THE 1.2, IF YOU LOOK ON THE...

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** ON THIS ONE, THE 1.2 IS 184 FOR THE FIRST YEAR,
7 553 FOR THE SECOND AND 553 FOR THE THIRD.

8

9 **MIKI JACKSON:** IF YOU LOOK AT THE TOP, IT SHOWS THREE DIFFERENT
10 TERMS AND THE TERM THAT WAS VERBALLY EXPLAINED TO US WAS FOR
11 SIX MONTHS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO, NO, NO, NO. THAT'S NOT THE CASE.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S VERY CLEAR HERE, THE TERMS.

16

17 **MIKI JACKSON:** WELL, THE 1.2 MILLION WOULD BE FOR A YEAR BUT...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S THE TERM MARCH 1ST, 2000...

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21 **MIKI JACKSON:** ...FOR THE SIX MONTHS WAS WHAT WAS BEING ASKED
22 TO BE RENEWED.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** WAS THE 184.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 1.292 MILLION IS FOR A PERIOD COVERING MARCH
2 1ST, 2006, THROUGH JUNE 30TH, 2008. THAT'S ALMOST THREE YEARS.

3

4 **MIKI JACKSON:** IT WAS EXPLAINED TO THE HEALTH DEPUTIES THAT
5 THAT WAS A TYPO, THAT THEY WERE ONLY RENEWING FOR SIX MONTHS,
6 ASKING FOR A SIX MONTH RENEWAL.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH, I SEE.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** (LAUGHS) WELL, WHAT YOU SAID WHAT WAS PRESENTED IN
11 WRITING.

12

13 **MIKI JACKSON:** YEAH. IT WAS.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, IN WRITING, IT'S CLEAR.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** MIGHT I MAKE A SUGGESTION?

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** ON ITEM NUMBER 29, YOU KNOW, THERE'S A NUMBER OF
22 ISSUES BEEN RAISED. AT LEAST WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THE
23 FIRST COUPLE PARTS OF THE RECOMMENDATION AND THE LAST TWO AS
24 IT RELATES TO THE 17 AMENDMENTS TO AGREEMENTS FOR TREATMENT
25 AND THE TWO NEW AGREEMENTS FOR H.I.V. RESIDENTIAL HOSPICE AND



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1 RESIDENTIAL SKILL, THAT THOSE TWO ITEMS BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK
2 TO SEE IF THEY CAN WORK SOMETHING OUT AND, IF NOT, IT COMES
3 BACK. WE'D MOVE FORWARD WITH THE REST OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS
4 ON ITEM 29.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. IS THERE A SECOND TO THAT?
7 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND. THE REASON
10 I'M RETICENT IS I THOUGHT THERE MIGHT BE A WAY TO WORK THIS
11 OUT BUT I'M HEARING FROM BOTH SIDES THAT THE ODDS ARE YOU'RE
12 NOT GOING TO WORK IT OUT. YOU'RE TELLING THAT YOU'VE MADE YOUR
13 CHANGE, YOU'RE TELLING US A MOMENT AGO THAT YOU MADE YOUR
14 CHANGE BECAUSE YOU DID NOT FEEL IT COULD BE WORKED OUT. I
15 DON'T WANT IT PUT WORDS IN ANYBODY ELSE'S MOUTH, THEY SPOKE
16 FOR THEMSELVES. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IN A WEEK? I'M OPEN TO IT IF
17 I THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING THAT COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED BUT,
18 IF NOTHING'S GOING TO BE ACCOMPLISHED AND WE'RE JUST GOING TO
19 DO THIS AGAIN NEXT WEEK, THEN I'M NOT INTERESTED. I AM
20 INTERESTED IN MAKING SURE THAT THE PATIENTS, THAT OUR CLIENTS
21 GET TAKEN CARE OF AND THAT'S WHAT-- AND I THINK YOU'VE GOT TO
22 ASSUME THE WORST CASE, YOU'VE GOT TO ASSUME THAT WHAT THEY'RE
23 THREATENING TO DO, THEIR SERIOUS ABOUT IT, THAT THEY'RE GOING
24 TO CLOSE THE CARL BEAN HOUSE. AND, IF THEY DO THAT, WHAT'S OUR
25 CONTINGENCY PLAN? SO (A) I WANT TO KNOW FROM YOU, MR.



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1 SCHUNHOFF, DO YOU THINK THAT ANYTHING-- IS THERE ANY PROSPECT
2 OF REACHING SOME KIND OF AN ACCORD THAT'S ACCEPTABLE TO THE
3 COUNTY IN A WEEK AND, SECONDLY, IF WE DON'T GO DOWN THAT
4 ROUTE, IF WE JUST GO DOWN YOUR ORIGINAL RECOMMENDATION, WHICH
5 IS TO APPROVE THE R.F.P. RESULTS AS RECOMMENDED ORIGINALLY AND
6 THEY DO CLOSE CARL BEAN HOUSE, THEN DO WE HAVE A CONTINGENCY
7 PLAN?

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9 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** ON THE FIRST PART, SUPERVISOR, I DON'T THINK
10 THERE'S MUCH CHANCE THAT THERE WOULD BE ANY RECOMMENDATION
11 OTHER THAN WHAT'S IN THE MEMO TODAY AND IN THE BOARD LETTER
12 RELATIVE TO THE RESULTS OF THE R.F.P. I THINK WHAT MIGHT BE
13 DETERMINED IN A WEEK IS WHETHER A.H.F. IS GOING TO MAKE A
14 DECISION AS TO WHETHER THEY WANT A CLOSE-OUT AGREEMENT OR
15 WHETHER THEY WANT TO GO WITH THE AGREEMENT THAT'S OFFERED AND,
16 IF YOU WENT THAT DIRECTION, THEN WE WOULD-- NEXT WEEK, EITHER
17 THE BOARD WOULD APPROVE WHAT'S BEEN RECOMMENDED TODAY OR THERE
18 WOULD BE A SUBSTITUTE AGREEMENT FOR THE CLOSE-OUT THAT COULD
19 BE USED AND COULD BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT. WE HAVE A MATTER
22 BEFORE US TODAY.

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24 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** RIGHT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** A MATTER BEFORE US TODAY. THE ORIGINAL
2 RECOMMENDATION IS TO APPROVE 500-PLUS THOUSAND DOLLAR R.F.P.
3 AWARD.

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5 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** RIGHT.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. SUPPOSE WE VOTE TO DO THAT TODAY. NO
8 DELAYS, NO CONTINUANCES, NO THREE MONTHS, NO SIX MONTHS,
9 NOTHING. JUST APPROVE THE R.F.P. AS IT WAS ADJUDICATED IN THE
10 PROCESS AND THEN, A WEEK FROM-- IN 24 HOURS, THEY ANNOUNCE
11 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO CLOSE, A.H.F. ANNOUNCES THEY'RE GOING TO
12 CLOSE CARL BEAN HOUSE. WHAT'S YOUR CONTINGENCY PLAN? BY THE
13 WAY, WHEN WOULD THEY CLOSE IT? ON FEBRUARY 28TH? DO THEY HAVE
14 ENOUGH MONEY TO CARRY THEM ANY FURTHER THAN THAT?

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16 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** I DON'T KNOW ABOUT MONETARILY BUT, IN TERMS OF
17 THEIR LICENSING, IT TAKES A PERIOD OF TIME TO CLOSE IT OUT AND
18 THEY HAVE TO DO THAT. NOW, WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT THIS LAST
19 YEAR, THEY WERE SAYING THEY WOULD NEED 90 DAYS TO CLOSE IT OUT
20 AND I BELIEVE THAT, AT THE VERY LEAST, THEY'D NEED TO GIVE 30
21 TO 60 DAYS' NOTICE TO PATIENTS TO TRANSFER THEM. SO THE
22 LIKELIHOOD IS IT WOULD BE ABOUT A 90-DAY PROCESS. WE HAVE
23 ASCERTAINED THAT THERE ARE BEDS IN A NUMBER OF OTHER
24 FACILITIES, AS MR. PEREZ INDICATED, THERE ARE DIFFERENT, YOU
25 KNOW, DIFFERENT LICENSURE CATEGORIES, DIFFERENT ARRANGEMENTS.



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1 SOME OF THEM ARE R.C.F.C.I. THAT COULD ACCEPT IN-HOUSE
2 HOSPICE. THERE ARE OTHERS THAT ARE SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES
3 BUT WE BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE OPTIONS THAT WE COULD
4 QUICKLY IMPLEMENT TO TAKE CARE OF AND TRANSFER THE PATIENTS.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THE ANSWER IS "NO", THEN, THERE WOULD BE
7 NOTHING HAPPENING IN A WEEK AND, "YES," WE CAN TAKE CARE OF
8 THE OTHER PATIENTS.

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10 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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12 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** SUPERVISOR, MAY I MAKE ONE SUGGESTION.
13 I THINK THE-- WE ARE, OF COURSE, ESTIMATING WHAT THE LEVEL OF
14 NEEDS FOR THE PATIENTS THAT ARE OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS IN THIS
15 CONTRACT. IF, OVER TIME, WE SEE THAT THAT HAS NOT BEEN
16 ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED, WE WOULD CERTAINLY BE LOOKING AT IT
17 CAREFULLY AND IT WOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD IF WE THOUGHT
18 THAT THE NEED WAS GREATER BECAUSE IT HAS VARIED FROM TIME TO
19 TIME, ALTHOUGH THAT WOULD REQUIRE SOME REALLOCATION FROM OTHER
20 SOURCES AND WOULDN'T CHANGE THE NEGOTIATED RATE BUT IT MIGHT
21 INCREASE THE AMOUNT.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** MY CONCERN IS NOT ONE FROM A.H.F. BECAUSE, YOU
24 KNOW, THEY DON'T WANT TO ACCEPT THE RATES, THAT'S THEIR
25 CHOICE. MY CONCERN WAS THE WELLS HOUSE BEING OVERWHELMED



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1 SHOULD CARL BEAN CLOSE AND THAT WAS MY ISSUE. BUT, BEYOND
2 THAT, I MEAN, WHATEVER IS THE WILL OF THE BOARD.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE ARE OTHER FACILITIES IN MY DISTRICT, I KNOW,
5 THAT WOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE SOME OF THE PATIENTS.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO WHAT IS THE MOTION FOR THE
10 BOARD?

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WOULD BE THE APPROPRIATE-- IS THERE A
13 NEED-- YOU FILED A LETTER THIS MORNING WHICH SUGGESTED
14 APPROVING THE ORIGINAL R.F.P. PLUS GIVING THEM UNTIL FRIDAY
15 TO-- A.H.F. UNTIL FRIDAY TO SIGN THE DEAL AND, IF THEY DIDN'T,
16 THEN TO TAKE THREE MONTHS TO DEVELOP A RELOCATION PLAN, IF YOU
17 WILL.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S IF WE APPROVE IT TODAY.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S IF WE APPROVE IT TODAY. SO IT WOULD
22 NOT NEED TO COME BACK HERE NEXT WEEK. THAT WOULD BE OUR TOTAL
23 ACTION?

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1 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** NO. IF YOU APPROVE WHAT WAS IN THE MEMO TODAY,
2 WHICH IS THE RECOMMENDATION ON THE AGENDA, PLUS THE
3 INSTRUCTION TO THE DEPARTMENT TO RETURN NEXT WEEK WITH A GREEN
4 SHEET ITEM, IF A.H.F DOES NOT SIGN THE AGREEMENT, THEN IF THEY
5 DO NOT SIGN THE AGREEMENT, IT WOULD BE BACK ON THE AGENDA NEXT
6 WEEK BUT WHAT WOULD BE BACK ON IS A GREEN SHEET ITEM
7 DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO A THREE-MONTH PHASE-OUT
8 AGREEMENT FOR CARL BEAN. THAT'D BE THE ONLY THING.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, WHY DON'T WE JUST GIVE YOU THAT
11 AUTHORITY NOW AS PART OF THIS ACTION TODAY SO YOU DON'T HAVE
12 TO GREEN SHEET IT AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO COME BACK. IF THEY
13 SIGN IT, FINE. IF THEY DON'T SIGN IT, YOU ARE DELEGATED,
14 TODAY, TO CARRY OUT THE 90-DAY CLOSE-OUT PERIOD.

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16 **DR. SCHUNHOFF:** IF COUNSEL IS COMFORTABLE WITH THAT, THAT'S...

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, SO THAT'S A MOTION BY
19 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY BURKE. ANY OBJECTION? SO ORDERED.
20 THANK YOU. WE HAVE A SET ITEM. SHERIFF LEE BACA.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELCOME AND PERHAPS, SHERIFF, YOU
23 COULD UPDATE US AND MAYBE GIVE US A LITTLE HISTORY WHAT
24 STARTED PRIOR TO THE RIOTING AND THE DEATHS AND WHERE WE ARE
25 TODAY, START FROM THE BEGINNING.



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AND GOOD

3 AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE

4 WITH YOU. I HAVE, LIKE YOURSELVES, BEEN VERY INVOLVED IN

5 DEALING WITH WHAT OUR RECENT PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN IN THE COUNTY

6 JAIL SYSTEM. BEFORE I JUMP INTO HOW WE GOT THERE, I'D LIKE TO

7 THANK YOU, EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU, FOR THE THINGS THAT

8 WE'VE DONE TOGETHER, WHICH HAS BEEN HISTORICALLY IMPORTANT TO

9 THE OVERALL SAFETY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE DO RUN, AS

10 YOU KNOW, THE LARGEST COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM IN AMERICA AND WE DO

11 IT WITH EVERYONE IN MIND. THE TAXPAYERS CERTAINLY ARE A BIG

12 PART OF THIS AND WE DO IT AS EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY AS

13 POSSIBLE. WE ALSO ARE A PART OF THE LARGEST COURT SYSTEM IN

14 AMERICA AND PERHAPS THE WORLD, WITH 600 BENCH OFFICERS AND

15 THUS WE MOVE INMATES, 2,000 AT A TIME, INTO COURT EVERY DAY

16 AND WE BRING 2,000 BACK FROM COURT BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, WE

17 RELEASE 500 A DAY, ON AVERAGE, AND TAKE IN 500 NEW INMATES A

18 DAY. NONETHELESS, ALL THIS PRESENTS US WITH A HUGE AMOUNT OF

19 RESPONSIBILITY, WHICH I'M PLEASED TO HAVE, NOT UNDER DIRE

20 CIRCUMSTANCES IS IT EASY BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, THIS IS AN

21 IMPORTANT PART OF WHAT OUR SOCIETY REQUIRES OF US. WHAT I SEE

22 AS THE OVERARCHING CONTRIBUTORY FACTORS TO MANAGING A VERY,

23 VERY TRANSIENT POPULATION IN ONE SENSE, A VERY WHAT I WOULD

24 CALL DANGEROUS POPULATION IN THE OTHER, IS THAT, OVER THE PAST

25 10 TO 15 YEARS, THE COUNTY JAILS HAVE VIRTUALLY BECOME A



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1 SUBSET OF THE COUNTY-- OF THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM. IT'S JUST
2 THIS MORNING, IN DISCUSSING THIS WITH MY TWO CHIEFS HERE, WHO
3 YOU KNOW WELL, AND MY ASSISTANT SHERIFF, THAT WE HAVE
4 VIRTUALLY LOST OUR INMATE POPULATION THAT IS WHAT WOULD BE
5 TRADITIONALLY CALLED A COUNTY INMATE. 91% OF OUR INMATES IN
6 THE COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM ARE FELONS, SERIOUS OFFENDERS. WE HAVE
7 SIX TO 700 PRETRIAL MURDERERS IN THE COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM; 4,000
8 GANG MEMBERS. WE HAVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WHAT I WOULD CALL
9 MOBILITY IN THE SYSTEM BECAUSE INMATES ARE ENTITLED TO A
10 VARIETY OF SERVICES, WHETHER IT'S EXERCISE, MEDICAL OR INDEED
11 LEGAL, SO THE SYSTEM IS CONSTANTLY IN A FLUX OF MOVEMENT. WHAT
12 WE BELIEVE OUR INTELLIGENCE TELLS US IN THE RECENT
13 DISTURBANCES IS THAT THERE IS A SOUTH CENTRAL PHENOMENON
14 BETWEEN THE GANGS THERE WHEREBY CERTAIN GANGS ARE WARRING WITH
15 OTHER GANGS AND THEY, IN TURN, BECAUSE OF THE AGGRESSIVE
16 POLICING THAT'S GONE ON WITH THE L.A.P.D. AND THE L.A. COUNTY
17 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OTHERS, HAVE BEEN ARRESTED AND
18 BROUGHT INTO THE SYSTEM AND WE, IN TURN, ARE RECEIVING A
19 CERTAIN DEGREE OF WHAT THOSE FEUDS HAVE BEEN OUT ON THE STREET
20 INTO THE JAIL SYSTEM. TO GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE, THERE HAVE BEEN
21 SOME HISTORICAL ASSAULTS GOING ON IN THE STREET PRIOR TO
22 FEBRUARY 4TH OF 2006, WHERE BLACKS ON HISPANIC INMATES
23 ASSAULTS HAVE OCCURRED INTO THE JAILS AS A RESULT OF THINGS
24 THAT ARE JUST GOING OUT IN THE STREETS PRIOR TO THESE GANGS
25 GETTING INTO JAIL. WE'VE LEARNED THAT NOT ALL OF THE ASSAULTS



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1 ARE BASED ON A RACIAL MOTIVATION, THAT IT'S MORE OF A GANG-
2 RELATED ON SOME OF THESE ASSAULTS. I HAVE THE NAMES OF ALL
3 THESE GANGS FOR YOUR REVIEW AND I HAVE A MEMORANDUM THAT I'D
4 LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU IN CLOSED SESSION AND THE REASON I'M
5 NOT MENTIONING THESE GANGS IS BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE
6 THE IMPRESSION ON ANY GANG MEMBER THAT HE CAN DERIVE NOTORIETY
7 FOR HIS GANG BY STARTING FIGHTS IN OUR COUNTY JAIL. BUT I
8 THINK THAT WE ARE AT A PLACE NOW WITH THE AGGRESSIVE
9 LEADERSHIP NOT ONLY OF THE TWO CHIEFS THAT ARE BESIDES ME BUT
10 THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING IN THESE JAILS
11 REPEATED-- FOR THE REPEATED PERIOD OF TIME WHERE THESE
12 VIOLENCES HAVE OCCURRED. AND I'M VERY PLEASED AND PROUD OF THE
13 MEN AND WOMEN OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHO, WITH ALL THE
14 RESOURCES THEY HAVE, HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AVOID ANY FURTHER
15 VIOLENCE AND PREVENT SUBSTANTIAL INJURY WHEN WE HAVE
16 INTERVENED AND WE HAVE INTERVENED IN EVERY ONE OF THESE
17 DISTURBANCES AND STOPPED THEM. THINGS ARE QUIETING DOWN NOW,
18 THANKS TO THE SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THANKS TO YOUR
19 SUPPORT. I VERY DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE VISITS THAT HAVE BEEN
20 MADE, PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, WHO CAME UP TO THE
21 FACILITY, SAW FIRSTHAND WHAT WAS GOING ON. I ALSO APPRECIATE
22 THE PHONE CALLS AND THE DIALOGUE THAT I'VE HAD WITH EACH OF
23 YOU ON THIS ISSUE AND I FIND THAT WE'RE ABLE, AT THIS POINT,
24 TO PROVIDE TO YOU AN ANSWER OR A PROCESS THAT CAN LEAD TO SOME
25 ANSWERS THAT WILL ALLOW US TO FURTHER DEAL WITH THIS TYPE OF



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1 PROBLEM. THE ENTIRE SYSTEM OF THE COUNTY JAIL IS UNDER REVIEW
2 AND I HAVE A LETTER THAT I HAVE ADDRESSED TO YOU FOR TODAY
3 THAT DESCRIBES FIVE CATEGORICAL POINTS OF ACTION THAT WILL
4 CONTINUE TO BUILD UPON A SOLUTION SYSTEM-WIDE. I THINK THE
5 SHORT-TERM SOLUTIONS ARE NOT THE FULL ANSWER HERE. IT DOES
6 REQUIRE A LONG-TERM STRATEGY. SO, IF I MAY, I'LL JUST DRAW
7 YOUR ATTENTION TO THE SECOND PAGE OF OUR LETTER. THERE ARE
8 FIVE POINTS THAT ARE LISTED. WE THINK THAT UNDOUBTEDLY WE CAN
9 IMPROVE OUR INMATE RECEPTION CENTER WHEN PEOPLE COME IN, THAT
10 VIOLENT OFFENDERS, IN AND OF THEMSELVES, SHOULD NOT BE HOUSED
11 IN THE GENERAL POPULATION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT. IT'S
12 INTERESTING ABOUT THE JAIL SYSTEM, FROM MY REVIEW AND
13 OBSERVATION OVER THE YEARS, IS THAT WE HAVE ONLY 1,500 SINGLE
14 CELL CAPABILITIES FOR THE 20,000 INMATES-PLUS THAT WE HAVE. WE
15 BELIEVE THAT THOSE SCARCE RESOURCES SHOULD BE APPROPRIATELY
16 USED AND THAT'S WHY WE AGREED WITH ADVICE OF BOARD MEMBERS AND
17 THINGS THAT I'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO SINCE I WAS ELECTED SEVEN
18 YEARS AGO, TO DOWNLOAD THE TOWERS FROM THE BENIGN-TYPE INMATES
19 THAT ARE THERE AND PLACE THE MORE PREDATORY INMATES IN THOSE
20 TOWERS. SO WE HAVE A PLAN WHICH WILL GO INTO EFFECT AT THE
21 LATTER PART OF NEXT MONTH AND, IN TWO DAYS, ALL THE WOMEN IN
22 ONE TOWER WILL BE DOWNLOADED AND REMOVED AND TRANSFERRED TO
23 THE CENTURY REGIONAL JUSTICE DETENTION FACILITY. CONCURRENT TO
24 THAT, SUBJECT TO THE TOWERS IN THIS MEMORANDUM, I MAKE
25 REFERENCE TO MOVING THE MENTAL HEALTH INMATES TO THE RANCH TO



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1 A FACILITY THAT IS MORE SUITED FOR MOST OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS
2 THAT HAVE MENTAL NEED. WE BELIEVE, HOWEVER, IN TALKING TO DR.
3 MARVIN SOUTHARD, OUR DIRECTORS OF MENTAL HEALTH, THAT WE
4 SHOULD ACTUALLY KEEP THE INPATIENT PROGRAM IN ONE OF THOSE
5 TOWER FACILITIES BUT IT WOULD ONLY BE AS MANY AS 70 TO 80 OF
6 THOSE INMATES. AT THE SAME TIME, THE SECOND TOWER WOULD ALLOW
7 US TO BACKFILL, AGAIN, THOSE MORE DIFFICULT INMATES WHO NEED
8 TO BE MORE ISOLATED IN THEIR INCARCERATION. THE MEMORANDUM
9 ALSO REFERS TO WHAT YOUR BOARD DIRECTED US TO DO AND THAT IS
10 TO HAVE AN INDEPENDENT SECURITY AUDIT OF OUR ENTIRE JAIL
11 SYSTEM AND WE THINK THAT THAT IS AN IMPORTANT INGREDIENT IN
12 SOLVING THIS PROBLEM. WE ALSO ARE RESEARCHING A RADIO
13 FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION TECHNOLOGY. AND SIMPLY IT'S THIS.
14 IT'S A SYSTEM WHERE AN INMATE WOULD BE, IN EFFECT, REQUIRED TO
15 CARRY ON THEIR PERSON A LISTENING DEVICE THAT IS A SILENT
16 MONITORING WHERE, MUCH LIKE THE LO JACK SYSTEM OF A STOLEN
17 VEHICLE OPERATES, WE WOULD KNOW WHERE THE MOVEMENT IS OF THAT
18 INMATE THROUGHOUT OUR SYSTEM THROUGH GIVEN PLACES WHERE THAT
19 PERSON MIGHT BE WALKING WOULD BE TRIGGERED BACK TO A CONTROL
20 CENTER. WE THINK THIS IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE
21 TECHNOLOGICAL SOLUTION BECAUSE, BY LAW, INMATES ARE GIVEN
22 OPPORTUNITIES FOR MOVEMENT AND THEY HAVE THEREFORE THE ABILITY
23 TO WALK THROUGH OUR SYSTEM, EITHER ATTENDED BY ONE OF US OR
24 UNATTENDED, AND WE WANT TO STILL MAINTAIN CONTROL OVER THEM,
25 WHETHER THEY'RE ATTENDED OR UNATTENDED. I THINK IN THE SUMMARY



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1 OF WHAT I'VE BEEN SUGGESTING, THE SYBIL BRAND INSTITUTE IS
2 ANOTHER PART OF THE SOLUTION. WE KNOW THAT THE COSTS FOR
3 REFURBISHING THE FACILITY ARE VERY HIGH. I HAVE DISCUSSED THIS
4 WITH MY STAFF AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASSIGN THREE OR FOUR OF OUR
5 SPECIALISTS WHO ARE OUR ELECTRICIANS AND OUR PLUMBERS AND OUR
6 AIR CONDITIONING AND HEATING EXPERTS AND TO GO IN THERE AND
7 SEE WHAT CAN BE FIXED THAT'S CURRENTLY THERE WITHOUT TOTAL
8 REPLACEMENT AND, BY HAVING THOSE SPECIALTY EXPERTS ON SITE
9 THERE FOR A PERIOD OF TIME, WE'LL BE ABLE TO COME BACK TO THE
10 BOARD AND SAY TO YOU, GUESS WHAT, WE DON'T HAVE TO REPLACE THE
11 ENTIRE PLUMBING, IT'S ONLY PARTS OF IT; WE DON'T HAVE TO
12 REPLACE THE ENTIRE HEATING SYSTEM, IT'S ONLY A GENERATOR THAT
13 NEEDS TO BE REPLACED. WITHOUT THAT THOROUGHNESS AND THAT
14 COMPLETE REVIEW BY THE PEOPLE WHO KNOW WHAT THESE SYSTEMS NEED
15 FOR EITHER REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT, WE, I THINK, WOULD NOT BE AS
16 RESPONSIBLE IN TELLING YOU WE CAN FIX WHAT WE HAVE. AT SOME
17 POINT, OBVIOUSLY, CERTAIN SYSTEMS WOULD HAVE TO HAVE COMPLETE
18 OVERHAULS BUT AT LEAST WE WOULD KNOW THAT, TOO. AND SO I'M NOT
19 LOOKING FOR THE BIG SOLUTION IN DOLLARS. I THINK THE COST OF
20 REFURBISHING THE ENTIRE FACILITY HAS DOUBLED, ACCORDING TO THE
21 C.A.O. STUDY, SO WE DON'T WANT TO LEAD YOU DOWN THAT PATH.
22 THOSE ARE THE BASIC HIGHLIGHTS OF WHAT I'M SAYING. I DO THINK,
23 HOWEVER, THAT, BACK TO THE IDEA OF HOW DO WE MANAGE A SYSTEM
24 THAT'S TROUBLED WITH VIOLENCE? WHAT HAD OCCURRED THE PAST
25 SEVERAL WEEKS IN THE COUNTY JAIL ARE TANTAMOUNT TO



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1 EMERGENCIES. AND EMERGENCIES ARE WHAT THEY ARE. AN EARTHQUAKE
2 IS AN EARTHQUAKE, A FLOOD IS A FLOOD, A TERRORIST ATTACK IS A
3 TERRORIST ATTACK AND EVEN THE KIND OF TERRORISM THAT YOU SEE
4 IN THE JAIL WITH THESE UNREQUESTED AND UNPROVOKED ATTACKS BY
5 CERTAIN INMATES THAT HAVE DECIDED THEY'RE GOING TO WREAK HAVOC
6 IN THE COUNTY JAILS, THAT THESE ARE EMERGENCIES AND I'M VERY,
7 VERY PROUD OF THE FACT THAT THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE SHERIFF'S
8 DEPARTMENT KNEW WHAT TO DO, WHEN TO DO IT AND OPERATED WITH A
9 GREAT DEGREE OF RISK TO SETTLE THESE PROBLEMS AND CALM THINGS
10 DOWN WHEREVER THEY OCCURRED. THIS COUNTY IS THE BEST IN
11 RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, PREVENTING
12 CERTAIN EMERGENCIES IS WHAT OUR ULTIMATE GOAL IS AND I THINK
13 THAT WE CAN PREVENT QUITE A BIT OF WHAT THESE PREDATOR INMATES
14 ARE UP TO ONCE WE RESHUFFLE THE DECK, MOVE INMATES FROM
15 GENERAL POPULATION INTO ISOLATED SINGLE CELLS, AS WE ARE
16 PLANNING TO DO STARTING IN MARCH, CAUSING FOR US TO BE IN
17 CONTROL OF WHATEVER IT IS THAT'S GOING ON MORE SO THAN ANY ONE
18 TYPE PREDATOR INMATE CAN TAKE CONTROL, EVEN IF IT'S IN ONE
19 DORM AT A TIME. SO I THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME. I
20 APPRECIATE YOU INVITING ME. I APOLOGIZE ABOUT LAST WEEK. I WAS
21 BEFORE A SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY CAROL MIGNAN OVER THE
22 GOVERNOR'S INFRASTRUCTURE BUDGET, PARTICULARLY FOR JAILS IS
23 WHY I WAS THERE, I WAS LOOKING FOR FINDING MORE DOLLARS FOR
24 SOME OF THE LOCAL SOLUTIONS AND THAT'S WHY I WAS NOT HERE, AND
25 I THANK YOU AND I'M OPEN FOR COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, SUGGESTIONS.



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1 AND, AGAIN, I'M GOING TO SAY THAT THOSE OF YOU THAT HAVE BEEN
2 OFFERING SUGGESTIONS, AS YOU HAVE, MR. MAYOR, ABOUT MOVING THE
3 WOMEN OUT OF THE TOWERS, WHICH I TOTALLY AGREED WITH SINCE THE
4 MOMENT YOU SUGGESTED IT AND WHETHER IT'S MR. YAROSLAVSKY OR
5 MRS. BURKE OR SUPERVISOR MOLINA OR EVEN YOU, DON, THOSE IDEAS
6 ARE VITAL PIECES OF HOW WE CAN SOLVE THINGS AND, IF ONE IDEA
7 DOESN'T GET ACTED UPON AS QUICKLY AS PERHAPS YOU'D LIKE, IT IS
8 NOT BECAUSE OF OUR DISRESPECT FOR THE IDEA. I WELCOME WHATEVER
9 INPUT YOU MIGHT HAVE FOR US TO DO A BETTER JOB TOGETHER. THANK
10 YOU.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. COULD YOU COMMENT RELATIVE
13 TO INTELLIGENCE BEING RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE FIRST OUTBREAK AND
14 THE ACTIONS THAT WERE TAKEN AFTER THAT INTELLIGENCE WAS
15 RECEIVED.

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IT'S MY OPINION, MR. MAYOR, THAT WE DIDN'T
18 GET ANY FOREWARNING ON THIS. ALL OF OUR INTEL IS ON A POST-
19 EVENT CIRCUMSTANCE AND IF THERE'S ANYTHING DIFFERENT TO THAT
20 EFFECT, I'D LIKE TO BE CORRECTED BY ANYONE HERE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT ABOUT THE ACTIONS TODAY RELATIVE
23 TO SEPARATING GANG MEMBERS FROM NON-GANG AND RIVAL GANG
24 MEMBERS?

25



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK THAT IS A LOT MORE DIFFICULT BUT
2 THIS INMATE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM THAT WE'RE WORKING ON NOW TO
3 IMPLEMENT AND I THINK IT WILL BE OPERABLE IN MARCH AS WELL
4 WILL GIVE US THE ABILITY TO DO THAT SORTING. I THINK, IF
5 THERE'S ANY FLAW IN THE SYSTEM, IS THAT IT'S THE VOLUME OF
6 WHAT WE HAVE WITH GANGS NECESSITATE US TO CHANGE OUR
7 TECHNOLOGY BECAUSE HUMAN MEMORY AND HUMAN KNOWLEDGE IS NOT
8 GOOD ENOUGH, THAT IT REALLY DOES REQUIRE THE AUTOMATED CHANGES
9 THAT WE ARE IMPLEMENTING NOW.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT WAS THE FAILURE IN NOT HAVING THE
12 BUNK BEDS BOLTED TO THE FLOOR?

13

14 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** INTERESTINGLY, THAT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION.
15 THE BEDS, IN TERMS OF HOW WE'VE BEEN OPERATING FOR THE LAST
16 SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS, ARE THINGS THAT WE MOVE IN AND OUT OF
17 OUR FACILITIES BECAUSE OUR COUNTS CAN SWING SOMEWHAT WILDLY
18 UNDER TOUGH TIMES. BY THAT I MEAN, IF WE RECEIVE 700 MORE
19 BOOKINGS THAN WE HAVE ACTUAL BEDS FOR, THEN WE HAVE TO BRING
20 IN BEDS TO THESE VARIOUS FACILITIES AND THEN WE TAKE THEM OUT
21 WHEN THE POPULATIONS DECREASE. THIS CAN HAPPEN ON A WEEK-TO-
22 WEEK BASIS. SOMETIMES IT CAN HAPPEN IN SEVERAL DAYS. I WOULD
23 NOT BE COMFORTABLE WITH BOLTING DOWN EVERY POSSIBLE BED IN THE
24 SYSTEM BECAUSE WE WOULD ULTIMATELY END UP, IN GOOD TIMES, WITH
25 MORE BEDS THAN MAYBE INMATES AND SO IT'S SOMETHING THAT NEEDS



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1 TO BE STUDIED A LITTLE FURTHER. I KNOW THE IDEA OF NOT BOLTING
2 DOWN BEDS IS A GOOD ONE, SO THIS IS NOT ABOUT ME RESISTING
3 BOLTING DOWN BEDS. IT'S JUST THAT THE DESIGN OF THESE
4 FACILITIES WERE NOT FOR THE AMOUNT OF BEDS THAT WE'VE BEEN
5 REQUIRED TO PUT IN THERE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE PROBLEM, YOU HAVE A LETHAL
8 WEAPON THAT COULD BE USED AND HAD BEEN USED IN A DISTURBANCE.
9 SO HOW DO YOU PRECLUDE THAT TYPE OF A POTENTIAL CONTRABAND
10 FROM BEING USED BY AN INMATE AGAINST ANOTHER INMATE OR SHERIFF
11 PERSONNEL?

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, I THINK THAT THE SOLUTION WAS EARLIER
14 IN THAT THAT VIOLENT INMATE, WHICH WE HOPEFULLY WILL KNOW MORE
15 ABOUT IN OUR AUTOMATED SYSTEM THAT WILL TRACK THE THOUSANDS
16 THAT ARE IN THE SYSTEM, WILL GIVE US A PLACE WHERE TO ASSIGN
17 THESE INDIVIDUALS WHERE THERE WON'T BE ANY OF THESE MOBILE
18 BEDS. I THINK THAT THE ACTUAL, WHAT YOU CALL THE SOFTER
19 INMATE, WOULD BE THE TYPE OF INMATE THAT WE WOULD ONLY PUT IN
20 A PLACE WHERE THE BEDS ARE NOT BOLTED DOWN.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DOES STATE LAW REQUIRE THE BEDS BE
23 BOLTED?

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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO. IT'S A RECOMMENDED PRACTICE, BUT THE
2 STATE IS NOT THAT SPECIFIC TO IT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE'RE NOT OUT OF CONFORMITY?

5

6 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE ISSUE OF THE LAST DEATH WHERE
9 THERE WAS A FIGHT OVER A LIGHT ON A BED, WHY DID ONE LIGHT
10 HAVE A BED AND-- LET'S SAY WHY DID ONE BED HAVE A LIGHT AND
11 HAVE A SITUATION WHERE YOU HAD AN IMBALANCE OF INMATES
12 RELATIVE TO ETHNIC BACKGROUND, WHICH ENDED UP CREATING THAT
13 ASSAULT AND DEATH?

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THE CELLS ARE DESIGNED WITH ONE LIGHT
16 INSIDE AND THE LIGHT IS VERY, VERY DIM FOR ALL INMATES, EVEN
17 IF IT'S JUST ONE IN THE CELL, SO THE LIGHTING IS NOT WHAT YOU
18 WOULD CALL HIGH QUALITY LIGHTING FOR READING PURPOSES. THE
19 INMATE WHO PREFERRED THE BUNK THAT HE HAD, THAT BUNK, THE HEAD
20 OF THE BUNK WAS ACTUALLY IN THE WALKWAY AREA OUTSIDE THE CELL,
21 WHICH IS MORE LIGHTED FOR THE PURPOSES OF DEPUTY WALKING WITH
22 CLEAR VISIBILITY AS HE WALKED AND SO IT WASN'T INSIDE THE CELL
23 WHERE THE LIGHTING WAS BENEFICIAL FOR THE READING, IT WAS
24 OUTSIDE THE CELL IN THE WALKWAY.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN OUR CONVERSATIONS LAST WEEK, YOU
2 INDICATED THAT YOU COULD MOVE THE FEMALES OUT OF TWIN TOWERS
3 EARLIER THAN MARCH 29TH IF YOU HAD ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. IF WE
4 WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE THOSE RESOURCES, COULD YOU DO THAT
5 SOONER?

6

7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, I THINK WHAT I WAS-- YES. THE REALITY
8 IS THAT I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION FROM MY STAFF THAT I DIDN'T
9 HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO MAKE THE MOVE SOONER. AT THE SAME
10 TIME, IN FURTHER PROBING THE ISSUE, I FIND THAT WE WERE
11 RETROFITTING A COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AT C.R.D.F. WHERE THE
12 WOMEN WERE TO GO AND THAT THEY WANTED THIS SYSTEM IN PLACE
13 BEFORE THEY MOVED THE WOMEN INMATE TO THE FACILITY.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO IT WASN'T AN ISSUE OF NEEDING MORE
16 MONEY TO MOVE THEM OUT FASTER, IT'S THE RETROFITTING THAT
17 YOU'RE DOING THAT HAS TO BE DONE PRIOR TO THE MOVE?

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT'S WHERE THE DELAY OCCURRED.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** AREN'T YOU HAVING TO UPGRADE SOME OF THE CELLS AT
22 TWIN TOWERS WHERE YOU'RE TAKING THE BAD GUYS AND PUTTING THEM
23 AWAY?

24

25 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IS THERE AN UPGRADE PIECE?



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2 **MARC KLUGMAN:** YES.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE SOLID METAL DOORS THAT ARE BEING
5 PLACED IN TWIN TOWERS, THAT WON'T BE COMPLETED UNTIL MARCH--
6 WAS IT MARCH 27TH OR 29TH?

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** DO YOU KNOW THE DEADLINE ON THAT?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** EVERYTHING IS HINGING ON ABOUT MARCH 25TH. WE'RE
11 TRYING TO GET IT ALL TO CORRELATE TO ABOUT THAT DATE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE-- DO YOU HAVE A PLAN TO FAST TRACK
14 RECRUITMENT?

15

16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** OUR RECRUITMENT HAS BEEN FAST TRACKED WITH
17 THE HELP OF THE BOARD. THE BOARD HAS GIVEN US SEVERAL HUNDREDS
18 OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO ACTIVELY ADVERTISE FOR THE
19 POSITIONS THAT ARE NEEDED. WE, IN A DOCUMENT THAT I'LL PROVIDE
20 YOU IF YOU DO NOT HAVE IT, ARE ON A TRACK OF HIRING THIS YEAR,
21 THIS IS A TOTAL CALENDAR YEAR, '06, A THOUSAND DEPUTY SHERIFFS
22 AND WE BELIEVE THAT WE CAN DO THE SAME FOR THE YEAR '07.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO OR CONSIDERED
25 USING RETIRED DEPUTIES WHO COULD ACCESS ALL OF OUR COLLEGES,



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1 CRIMINOLOGY COURSES, MAJORS, RELATIVE TO THIS LOCATION, L.A.
2 COUNTY, BUT ALSO YOU HAVE MANY RETIREES WHO RESIDE IN OTHER
3 COUNTIES AND STATES, USING THEM TO RECRUIT IN THE VARIOUS
4 UNIVERSITIES?

5

6 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE-- YES, AND I THINK WE CAN DO MORE ON THAT
7 LEVEL. I THINK WHERE MOST OF OUR RECRUITS COME FORWARD FROM
8 ONE CORE RECOMMENDATION IS OUR EMPLOYEES AND OUR EX-EMPLOYEES.
9 AT THE SAME TIME, I THINK YOUR SUGGESTION THAT WE GO INTO A
10 DEEPER APPEAL BEYOND JUST THOSE THAT ARE VOLUNTEERING TO DO IT
11 IS A GOOD IDEA AND I WILL DIRECT THAT THAT BE DONE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THE-- I UNDERSTAND YOUR CENTURY
14 REGIONAL DETENTION FACILITY WILL HAVE ITS OWN I.R.C. TO HANDLE
15 CLASSIFICATION AND HOUSING. THE QUESTION IS, DOES THAT MEAN
16 THAT THE NEW CENTRALIZED CLASSIFICATION AND HOUSING UNIT WOULD
17 ONLY CONSIST OF MALE INMATES?

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** DO YOU WANT TO-- THE ANSWER IS YES BUT LET
20 ME LET MARK EXPLAIN THAT.

21

22 **MARK:** WE'RE ONLY GOING TO BE HOUSING FEMALES IN ONE FACILITY.
23 IT'S MUCH MORE MANAGEABLE. THEY TRADITIONALLY DON'T CAUSE THE
24 KINDS OF PROBLEMS THAT WE FACE WITH THE MORE VIOLENT HIGH
25 SECURITY INMATES IN THE MALE POPULATION. BY HAVING A SEPARATE



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1 I.R.C., IT WILL STREAMLINE OUR OPERATIONS. RIGHT NOW, FOR
2 EXAMPLE, WE HAVE TO STOP MOVING MEN THROUGH THE SYSTEM TO
3 ENABLE WOMEN TO COME THROUGH THE SYSTEM AND KEEP THEM APART.
4 BY MOVING ALL THE IRC OPERATIONS FOR WOMEN TO C.R.D.F., WE'LL
5 BE ABLE TO STREAMLINE THAT OPERATION AND RUN IT MUCH MORE
6 EFFICIENTLY, AND IT WILL RUN ON THE SAME CLASSIFICATION
7 SYSTEM, WE'LL BE ABLE TO USE THE SAME HOUSING TECHNIQUES THERE
8 THAT WE'RE USING SYSTEM-WIDE BUT IT WILL BE STRICTLY FOR
9 WOMEN.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN YOUR SUGGESTION PERHAPS THAT YOU
12 WOULD RETAIN ABOUT 80 OR 90 MENTALLY ILL INDIVIDUALS AT TWIN
13 TOWERS, COULDN'T THEY BE PLACED IN ANOTHER FACILITY, CENTRAL
14 JAIL OR ANOTHER FACILITY SO THAT YOU WOULD HAVE 80 OR 90 MORE
15 BEDS FOR CLASS 8, CLASS 9 FELONS?

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I KNOW MARK WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT
18 THAT AND I JUST OVERRULED HIM WITH A FINGER. I THINK... LIKE
19 THIS. [LIGHT LAUGHTER]

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, THAT FINGER. [LAUGHTER]

22

23 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK THAT THE MOTIVATION THAT MR.
24 SOUTHARD HAD THAT I LISTENED TO WAS THAT PART OF THAT PROGRAM,
25 SINCE IT'S AN INPATIENT PROGRAM, IS STAFFED BY U.S.C. MEDICAL



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1 SCHOOL INTERNS WHO ARE BECOMING PSYCHIATRISTS. HIS PLEA WAS
2 NOT TO MOVE THEM OUT TO THE RANCH BUT WHAT HIS PLEA WAS NOT TO
3 MOVE THEM SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THE JAIL SYSTEM AND I'M OPEN TO
4 THAT IDEA.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT ABOUT CENTRAL JAIL?

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I'M OPEN TO THAT IDEA AS WELL. NOW, THEY
9 CAME OUT OF CENTRAL JAIL, WHICH WERE THE DEPARTMENT OF
10 JUSTICE'S INPUT WAS A BETTER FIX BECAUSE THE CENTRAL JAIL DID
11 NOT HAVE THE AMENITIES THAT ARE NECESSARY. NOW, THESE INMATES,
12 IF I MAY, ARE JUST INMATES WHO ARE ACUTELY MENTALLY IN NEED.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE THEY CLASSIFICATION 8 OR 9 OR...

15

16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO, THEY'RE NOT. THEY'RE MENTALLY ILL. SO
17 THE RATING SYSTEM IS BASICALLY BASED ON SEVERITY OF CRIME,
18 INFORMANTS AND THE LIKE AND EX-COPS AND SO FORTH. UNLESS I'M--
19 AND I CAN BE CORRECTED ON THIS. THE OTHER ASPECT OF WHY WE ARE
20 LISTENING TO MR. SOUTHARD ON THIS ISSUE IS THAT THE LICENSURE
21 THAT WE'VE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE FOR WHAT WE PROVIDE IS TIED
22 TO WHERE THESE PARTICULAR PATIENTS ARE BEING HOUSED. WE WOULD
23 HAVE TO REVISE OUR REQUEST FOR LICENSURE IF WE REMOVE THEM BUT
24 I DON'T THINK ANYTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE. THIS IS AN INTERESTING
25 RESPONSE. I'VE BEEN AROUND LONG ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT, IF YOU



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1 CAN'T SKIN THE CAT ONE WAY, YOU CAN SKIN IT ANOTHER AND I'M
2 OPEN TO EXPLORING HAVING ANOTHER PLACE FOR THESE INPATIENT
3 POPULATION MEMBERS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU MENTIONED THERE'S ALWAYS A
6 STAFFING PROBLEM AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT AND THAT'S WHY THE
7 BOARD WAS CONCERNED AND RELATIVE TO CONTRACTING OUT SERVICE TO
8 FOOT HILL TRANSIT, WHO LATER WITHDREW THEIR REQUEST BUT WHEN
9 WE DO A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE TO HOUSE SOME OF THEIR
10 INMATES, YOU HAVE OVER A HUNDRED DEPUTIES DOING THAT NOW, WHY
11 WOULDN'T THEY-- THOSE DEPUTIES BE BETTER USED IN PATROL AND
12 THE JAILS THAN TO HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE DOING THEIR
13 WORK WHEN WE HAVE WORK HERE THAT HAS TO BE DONE AND IT'S NOT
14 BEING DONE BECAUSE OF OUR UNMET NEEDS, WHICH IS MORE DEPUTIES?

15

16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT'S A VERY GOOD POINT AND, IN MY EARLIER
17 CONVERSATION TODAY WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I BELIEVE SHE WILL
18 ADDRESS A POSSIBLE SOLUTION FOR THIS BOARD TO CONSIDER, OF
19 WHICH I SUPPORT THAT SOLUTION. HOWEVER, CONCURRENT TO THE IDEA
20 IS WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE THOSE FUNDS AND THOSE DEPUTIES AND
21 THOSE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS, SO THEREFORE THE TRADE-OFF IS THAT
22 THE BOARD WILL HAVE TO FIND THE FUNDING FOR REPLACEMENT.
23 OTHERWISE, WE LOSE 27 MILLION, CLOSE TO 28 MILLION DOLLARS IN
24 OPERATIONAL REVENUE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE GOING TO BE PAYING OUT MILLIONS
2 OF DOLLARS IN THE RECENT DEATHS AND INJURIES THAT OCCURRED IN
3 THE RIOTS AND THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT THERE WON'T BE A
4 FUTURE DISTURBANCE, SO IT MAKES A LOT OF ECONOMIC SENSE IF WE
5 USE THE PERSONNEL THAT WE HAVE TO DO THEIR FIRST LINE OF
6 RESPONSIBILITY AND THAT IS SERVING THE NEEDS OF THE COUNTY AND
7 IF THE STATE WANTS TO BE INVOLVED, THEN THEY HAVE A
8 RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND THEIR RESOURCES TO MEET THEIR NEEDS
9 WITHOUT ROBBING LOCAL TAXPAYERS OF THEIR SERVICES.

10

11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** INDEED.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THAT'S THE CONCERN. AGAIN, YOU'LL
14 BE DOING A SEPARATION OF GANG AND NON-GANG MEMBERS AND RIVAL
15 GANG MEMBERS OR ARE YOU GOING TO KEEPING THEM TOGETHER?

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, TO THE DEGREE THAT WE CAN, WE'LL MAKE
18 SOME SEPARATION BUT, IF YOU HAVE A BETTER ANSWER THAN WHAT I'M
19 ABOUT TO SAY, NOW'S YOUR CHANCE.

20

21 **MARC KLUGMAN:** I DON'T KNOW IF IT WILL BE BETTER, BOSS. THE
22 POPULATION IN THE COUNTY JAIL IS ABOUT, AS I HAVE MENTIONED
23 BEFORE, ABOUT 80% GANG AFFILIATED. WE HAVE, OVER TIME, 2,000
24 SEPARATE GANGS THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED COMING THROUGH THE JAIL.
25 THOSE KINDS OF NUMBERS MAKE IT ALMOST AN IMPOSSIBILITY FOR US



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1 TO SEGREGATE EVERYONE BY GANG AFFILIATION OR GANG TYPE OR
2 MEMBERSHIP. WHAT WE WILL BE DOING IS EFFECTIVELY SEGREGATING
3 PEOPLE BY THEIR SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SO THAT THE-- AS WE
4 HAVE ALREADY DONE WITH THE 9S, THE HIGHEST SECURITY LEVEL,
5 THEY ARE NOW SEPARATED FROM EVERYBODY ELSE. WE WILL DO THE
6 SAME THING WITH THE 8S, WE'LL CLASSIFY THOSE-- THOSE THAT ARE
7 MEDIUM CLASSIFICATIONS WILL BE HOUSED TOGETHER AND WE'LL TAKE
8 THOSE PEOPLE OUT OF THE SYSTEM OR OUT OF THE POPULATION IN THE
9 SYSTEM THAT ARE THE MOST VIOLENT, THE MOST PROBLEMATIC.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE LAST KILLING YOU HAD, THE
12 VICTIM WAS NOT A CLASS 8.

13

14 **MARC KLUGMAN:** NO. THE VICTIM WAS A 6.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT HE WAS IN WITH 8S AND 9S.

17

18 **MARC KLUGMAN:** AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE'RE SAYING WILL BE
19 ADDRESSED AND REPAIRED...

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE LIABLE FOR THAT, THOUGH.

22

23 **MARC KLUGMAN:** PARDON ME, SIR?

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE LIABLE FOR THAT BECAUSE WE MADE
2 THAT DECISION.

3
4 **MARC KLUGMAN:** I UNDERSTAND.

5
6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THAT'S WHEN I, YOU KNOW...

7
8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, IT MEANS YOU'RE-- YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY
9 RIGHT. SEE, THE INTERESTING PART ABOUT THAT PROBLEM IS THAT,
10 WHEN WE CLASSIFY PEOPLE AND WE ASSIGN THEM TO A CELL BLOCK,
11 THE REFINED NATURE OF HOW 9S AND ONE 6 GET PUT TOGETHER IS
12 THAT THE I.R.C. DOES NOT TAKE CELL BY CELL BY CELL BY CELL AND
13 ASSIGN PEOPLE TO CELLS. IT'S DONE ONCE THEY ARRIVE INTO THAT
14 AREA, KNOWING THAT THERE IS X VACANT CELL BEDS IN THAT AREA.
15 SO AN INDIVIDUAL HAS TO MAKE THE DECISION AS TO HOW THEY
16 GROUP. NOW, THE QUESTION WOULD BE, WHY WOULD A 6 GO IN THERE
17 IF IT'S FOR ALL 8S OR 9S? AND THAT'S WHERE THE AUTOMATED
18 SYSTEM WOULD STOP THAT PROCESS FROM HAPPENING. BUT, YOU KNOW,
19 INMATES, INTERESTINGLY, LET ME SAY THIS AS A GENERAL NOTE, WHY
20 I SAY EMERGENCIES ARE WHAT THEY ARE, INMATES WALKING IN THE
21 HALLWAY TOGETHER CAN ATTACK EACH OTHER AS WELL AND THAT'S
22 HAPPENED IN THE PAST. AND SO, EVEN IN THE CONTEXT OF LOCKING
23 THEM DOWN, WE MIGHT SORT ALL THIS OUT BUT THAT WON'T MAKE IT A
24 HUNDRED PERCENT VIOLENT-PROOF. THE IDEA OF EVEN INMATES
25 GETTING ON BUSES TO GO TO COURTS. IF I HAD TO SEND EVERYBODY



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1 ON SEPARATE BUSES TO GO TO COURT TO KEEP THEM AWAY FROM EACH
2 OTHER, THEY'LL COME BACK TOGETHER IN THE COURT LOCK-UPS IN
3 SOME FORM AND FASHION BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE SINGLE CELL
4 LOCK-UP IN THE COURTS. SO I JUST NEED FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THAT
5 WE'RE DEALING WITH SOMETHING THAT IS, IN MANY WAYS, INSOLUBLE
6 TO THE PREDATOR AND YET THAT'S NO EXCUSE FOR THE PROBATIVENESS
7 OF YOUR QUESTIONS. WHAT WE HAVE TO DO, AS YOU ADEQUATELY AND
8 ACCURATELY SAID, IS WE HAVE TO PREVENT AS MUCH OF THIS AS
9 POSSIBLE BY MANAGING OUR POPULATION IN THE BEST WAY POSSIBLE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE RICO LAWS APPLICABLE TO OUR GANGS
12 IN OUR JAILS WHO APPEAR TO BE OPERATING MANY OF THE ACTIVITIES
13 ON THE STREET?

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IN MY OPINION, YES.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT CAN WE DO TO...

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** TRY TO GET THE U.S. ATTORNEY TO AGREE TO
20 THAT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT ABOUT DISTRICT ATTORNEY?

23

24 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, RICO LAWS ARE FEDERAL LAWS AND WE HAVE
25 NOT TRADITIONALLY-- AND MR. COOLEY CAN ADDRESS THIS BETTER



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1 THAN I, WE HAVE NOT TRADITIONALLY BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN SUPERIOR
2 COURT WITH CONSPIRACY LAWS AND YET WE THINK THAT THAT IS
3 ANOTHER TOOL THAT SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE AND I'M
4 HAPPY...

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT ABOUT FEDERAL COURTS?

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ...TO ADDRESS THAT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BECAUSE U.S. ATTORNEY WOULD BE DOING
11 IT IN FEDERAL COURT NOT STATE COURT.

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, I'M HAPPY TO PREPARE...

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WOULD YOU DO THAT, THEN, AND WE CAN
16 PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK OR WE CAN DO THAT TODAY,
17 ASKING THE U.S. ATTORNEY TO EXPLORE THE USE OF RICO LAWS TO
18 THE GANGS WITHIN THE PRISON COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM. COULD YOU DO
19 THAT? OKAY. WE'LL MAKE THAT A PART...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, COULD I JUST ASK A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SHERIFF, AS IT RELATES TO THE HOUSING DECISIONS,
2 YOU KNOW, I MEAN, I KNOW, FROM AN ELECTRONICS STANDPOINT,
3 YOU'RE TRYING TO MOVE TO THAT LEVEL SO WE CAN TRACK EVERYONE.
4 IN THE MEANTIME, IS IT YOUR INTENTION, THEN, TO ELEVATE SOME
5 SORT OF REVIEW SYSTEM AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF YOUR DEPARTMENT
6 AS IT RELATES TO THESE HOUSING DECISIONS? I KNOW THE CAPTAINS
7 IN EACH FACILITY ARE SORT OF IN CHARGE. IS ANYONE REVIEWING
8 THAT OR IS IT THE INTENTION TO SORT OF, YOU KNOW, JUST SORT OF
9 DOUBLE-CHECK THAT DECISION, YOU KNOW, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS YOU
10 GET THE ELECTRONIC SYSTEM IN PLACE?

11

12 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK INHERENT TO THE PROBLEMS WE'VE BEEN
13 HAVING, WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO SOME OF THAT HUMAN REVIEW
14 ACTIVITY AND I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT ON TARGET WITH THAT IDEA.
15 WHERE WE GET COMPROMISED IS WHEN CERTAIN THINGS WILL INTERRUPT
16 WHAT WE SET IN PLACE. VISITS ARE A BIG PART OF THAT. THE
17 BEGINNING TIME FOR ALL THESE RIOTS IN THE JAILS WAS AFTER
18 VISITING AT THAT RANCH FACILITY, WHERE THE INMATES KNEW THAT
19 THEY WERE NOT IN THEIR CONFINED AREA, THEY WERE OUT GETTING
20 VISITING FROM THEIR LOVED ONES AND THEN, AT THAT POINT OF
21 TERMINATION OF VISITING, THEY WERE ABLE TO SEE WHATEVER THEY
22 COULD IN THE WAY OF THEIR OPPORTUNITY AND THEN TOOK FULL
23 ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY. BUT I LIKE THE SUGGESTION AND
24 THE THINKING YOU'RE PROVIDING US, BECAUSE IT WILL TAKE HUMAN
25 INTERVENTION, BECAUSE MACHINES, IN AND OF THEMSELVES, ARE



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1 NEVER GOING TO MAKE QUANTITATIVE DECISIONS EXCLUSIVELY FOR
2 THOSE PEOPLE THAT A HUMAN BEING WOULD JUDGE TO BE A PROBLEM
3 AND I THINK IT'S GOOD.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** A FINAL POINT, WHAT ABOUT CUSTODIAL
6 OFFICERS? ARE YOU STILL RECRUITING THOSE OFFICERS? OR I
7 UNDERSTAND THERE'S BEEN A SLOWDOWN IN THE PASS. PERHAPS YOU
8 CAN ENLIGHTEN US?

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY VACANCIES WE HAVE OF
11 THE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS?

12

13 **PAUL TANAKA:** ...HOW MANY VACANCIES BUT WE ARE STILL RECRUITING
14 ACTIVELY AND WE HAVE...

15

16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THE ANSWER IS WE ARE RECRUITING AND WE ARE
17 SUCCEEDING AT THAT AND, AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE A CAP, WE
18 CAN ONLY HIRE...

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE NOT AT THE CAP YET, THOUGH.

21

22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE'RE NOT AT THE CAP.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE'RE NOT RECRUITING UP TO THE CAP
25 LEVEL, IS WHAT I'M SAYING. THERE'S BEEN A...



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE'RE RECRUITING UP TO THE CAP. IT'S NOT
3 FILLED IS I THINK OUR ANSWER.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT WE'RE NOT AT THE CAP OF 65/35, BUT YOU'RE
6 STILL ACTIVELY RECRUITING, WE'RE AT 22% RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE
7 TRYING TO GET UP TO 35%?

8

9 **PAUL TANAKA:** THAT IS CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST WANT TO GET A CLARIFICATION ON THE STATE
14 CONTRACT AND THE STATE PRISONERS. NOW, THE STATE PRISONERS ARE
15 MIXED IN WITH THE OTHER PRISONERS AND INMATES?

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** WHEN WE RECEIVE A STATE INMATE, WHAT CATEGORY ARE
20 THEY OR DO WE HAVE A REQUIREMENT THAT THEY BE CERTAIN
21 CATEGORIES? AND LET ME EXPLAIN THE REASON WHY I'M NOT CLEAR ON
22 THIS. I UNDERSTOOD THAT WE WERE SENDING SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE
23 WHO SHOULD BE WITH THE STATE, WE HAVE 600, WE WERE-- THAT
24 PROBABLY-- OR SHOULD BE WITH THE STATE, WE WERE SENDING 200,
25 WE'RE NOW SENDING MORE. HOW ARE-- WHAT IS THE DISTINCTION



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1 BETWEEN THOSE PEOPLE WE'RE SENDING BACK AND THOSE INMATES THAT
2 WE HAVE FROM THE STATE THAT WE ARE KEEPING ON A LONG-TERM
3 BASIS?

4

5 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** DO YOU WANT TO ANSWER THAT?

6

7 **MARC KLUGMAN:** WE HAVE TYPICALLY IN THE SYSTEM SOMEPLACE CLOSE
8 TO 3,000 STATE INMATES. OF THAT NUMBER, ABOUT FIVE-- FOUR TO
9 600 OF THEM, ABOUT FOUR TO 600 OF THEM ARE NEWLY SENTENCED
10 INMATES. THAT NUMBER IS CONTINUOUSLY BEING REPLENISHED AND WE
11 ARE CONTINUOUSLY MOVING THOSE INMATES OUT TO THE STATE. THE
12 REMAINDER OF THE INMATES IN THE SYSTEM ARE PAROLE VIOLATORS.
13 UNDER THE CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE WITH THE STATE, WHICH IS
14 APPROXIMATELY \$27 MILLION, WE HAVE ABOUT 1,290 STATE
15 PRISONERS, THEY'RE PAROLE VIOLATORS THAT ARE DOING THEIR
16 VIOLATION IN THE COUNTY JAIL. IN ADDITION...

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** THOSE ARE ALL FELONY PAROLE VIOLATORS?

19

20 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THEY'RE ALL PAROLEES WHO HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO
21 STATE PRISON, THEY'VE DONE A TERM IN STATE PRISON, THEY'VE
22 BEEN RELEASED ON PAROLE, THEY ARE NOW BACK IN OUR SYSTEM
23 TYPICALLY FOR A PAROLE VIOLATION, A TECHNICAL VIOLATION OF
24 PAROLE. WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT NEW CRIMES OR NEW OPEN
25 CHARGES. SO THEY ARE TYPICALLY THERE BECAUSE THEY VIOLATED



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1 SOME CONDITION OF PAROLE AND HAVE COME BACK, THEY HAVE A
2 HEARING WHILE AT THE JAIL WHERE IT IS DETERMINED THAT THEY
3 HAVE, IN FACT, COMMITTED THAT VIOLATION AND THEY ARE SENTENCED
4 TO A TERM USUALLY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 60 TO 90 DAYS.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** NOW, YOU CLASSIFY THOSE PEOPLE, BECAUSE SOME OF
7 THEM MAY BE VIOLATED FOR ASSOCIATING WITH OTHER GANG MEMBERS.

8

9 **MARC KLUGMAN:** CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S ONE OF THE VERY TYPICAL ONES. A PAROLEE IN
12 POSSESSION OF A GUN. DO YOU CATEGORIZE THOSE STATE PRISONERS
13 AT 9, 8 OR ARE ALL OF THEM CLASSIFIED TO A LOWER
14 CLASSIFICATION?

15

16 **MARC KLUGMAN:** NO. THEY'RE CLASSIFIED BY THEIR HISTORY, BY THE
17 CRIMES THEY'VE COMMITTED, BY THE REASON THEY'RE COMING BACK,
18 SO THE ENTIRE CLASSIFICATION, NORTHPOINT CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM
19 THAT WE USE IS APPLIED TO THEM EQUALLY, SO THEY COULD BE, TO
20 ANSWER YOUR QUESTION DIRECTLY, THEY COULD BE ANY
21 CLASSIFICATION, DEPENDING ON THEIR HISTORY AND THE KIND OF
22 CRIMES THEY'VE COMMITTED IN THE PAST. NOT ALL FELONIES ARE
23 VIOLENT. SO THEY MAY BE FELONS BUT THEY'VE MAYBE NEVER
24 COMMITTED A VIOLENT CRIME, SO THEY MAY BE A LOWER



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1 CLASSIFICATION THAN SOMEONE THAT'S COMMITTED CRIMES WITH A
2 GUN.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** DO YOU KEEP THOSE ON A CERTAIN NUMBER OF DAYS? DO
5 YOU KEEP ONLY THOSE WHO ARE SHORT-TERM OR DO YOU KEEP SOME WHO
6 ARE LONGER TERM?

7

8 **MARC KLUGMAN:** AS I SAID, TYPICALLY, THEY'RE SENTENCED TO A
9 TERM OF 60 TO 90 DAYS AND THERE ARE SOME VARIABLES INVOLVED IN
10 THAT. I HAVE BEEN IN CONVERSATIONS WITH THE STATE NOW FOR SOME
11 TIME TO REMOVE THOSE THAT ARE NOT ON THE CONTRACT, WHICH IS
12 ABOUT ANOTHER 1,200 OR SO, AND SEND THEM TO THE STATE PRISON
13 TO SERVE THEIR SENTENCE, THEIR NEW SENTENCE UNDER THE
14 VIOLATION OF THEIR PROBATION-- OF THEIR PAROLE. THEY HAVE BEEN
15 LISTENING TO THE GOINGS-ON HERE AT THE BOARD AND, SINCE THE
16 INITIAL RIOT ACTIVITY THAT WE HAD AT PITCHES, WE HAVE ACTUALLY
17 MOVED 1,500 STATE INMATES OUT, WHICH IS WAY ABOVE WHAT I TOLD
18 YOU WE WERE TRYING TO DO. AND ABOUT HALF OF THOSE ARE NEWLY
19 SENTENCED PRISONERS AND THE REMAINDER ARE PAROLE VIOLATORS.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** EXCUSE ME. CAN I JUST FOLLOW UP? WHEN YOU SAID THE
22 1,200...

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** JUST ONE QUESTION, JUST ONE REAL FAST QUESTION. I
2 THOUGHT THAT, OFTEN, IF YOU HAD A VIOLATION OF PAROLE, YOU HAD
3 TO FINISH THE REST OF YOUR SENTENCE.

4

5 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THAT'S NOT THE CASE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S NOT THE CASE, THAT THEY JUST HAVE A SHORT
8 TERM?

9

10 **MARC KLUGMAN:** DEPENDING ON THE VIOLATION AND WHAT THE
11 COMMISSION DECIDES TO DO, THEY GET A NEW SENTENCE FOR THAT
12 VIOLATION.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. FOR A SHORT TERM RATHER THAN THE
15 REMAINDER OF THEIR TERM, OF THEIR SENTENCE?

16

17 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU MADE A COMMENT ABOUT 1,200 OF THE PRISONERS
20 BEING OUTSIDE OF THE CONTRACT, OUTSIDE OF THE \$28 MILLION?

21

22 **MARC KLUGMAN:** YES. WE'RE PAID FOR THEM. WE ARE PAID FOR THEM
23 BUT IT'S NOT ON THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT. IT'S CALLED DAILY
24 ASSISTANCE. IT'S ABOUT \$68 A DAY PER INMATE.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** WHEN YOU FINISH, I'D LIKE TO GET BACK TO FINDING
2 OUT MORE WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH SYBIL BRAND AND HOW MANY BEDS
3 AND WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT AS A POSSIBILITY OF THAT. I'LL COME
4 BACK TO THAT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT WE'RE GOING TO KEEP SYBIL BRAND.
7 WE'RE NOT GOING TO SELL IT FOR OTHER TYPES OF DEVELOPMENT.

8

9 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** SYBIL BRAND HAS FUTURE AND WE HAVE DONE SOME
10 RECLAMATION WORK ON THE HILLSIDE AND...

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S GOING TO BE MODIFIED FOR SOME
13 TYPE OF SHERIFF NEEDS RELATIVE TO THE CUSTODY...

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** FOR WOMEN.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, FOR WOMEN PRISONERS. HOW MANY PRISONERS DO YOU
18 ANTICIPATE YOU CAN GET AT SYBIL BRAND?

19

20 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IT'S RATED AT A CAPACITY OF ABOUT 950 AND,
21 IN IT'S MOST EXPANSIVE YEARS, IT WAS UP TO 2,000 AND SO...

22

23 **PAUL TANAKA:** 1,800.

24



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT'S NOT WHAT IT ORIGINALLY WAS DESIGNED
2 FOR. EXCUSE ME. I KNOW MY DATA SHOWS 1,800 BUT I'VE BEEN
3 AROUND SO DARN LONG, I REMEMBER WHAT IT WAS REALLY RATED FOR
4 AND IT WAS A 950-BED FACILITY BUT NOW IT'S AT AN 1,800 COUNT
5 CAPABILITY, OF COURSE, WHICH PUTS IT ON THE TOP END OF BEING
6 FILLED. THAT IS NOT MY DESIRE WITH THAT FACILITY. I'M NOT
7 LOOKING TO JUST TAKE ALL THE WOMEN OUT OF C.R.D.F. AND JUST
8 SHOVE THEM INTO A CROWDED SYBIL BRAND INSTITUTE. WHAT I THINK
9 WE NEED TO HAVE ARE PRESENTENCED WOMEN IN ONE PLACE, WHICH
10 WOULD PROBABLY BE C.R.D.F. AND SENTENCED WOMEN AT SYBIL BRAND,
11 WHICH WOULD GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THAT
12 POPULATION IN A TOTAL DIFFERENT WAY AND THAT TOTAL DIFFERENT
13 WAY WOULD BE SUBSTANTIAL DRUG REHAB, SUBSTANTIAL PROGRAMS,
14 SUBSTANTIAL LIFE SKILLS, INCLUDING PARENTING SKILLS AND
15 THEREIN THAT POPULATION, I THINK, COULD BE ANYWHERE FROM 1,000
16 TO 1,200 OR WHATEVER THE SENSE POPULATION WOULD BE.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE TIMETABLE FOR DOING THE
19 WORK THAT'S NECESSARY AT SYBIL BRAND, AND THE COST?

20

21 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** AS I MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, EARLIER,
22 I THINK THE GOAL IS FOR ME TO GET IN THERE WITH THESE
23 TECHNICIANS, THE ELECTRICIANS, THE PLUMBERS, THE REPAIR FOLKS,
24 ASK THEM TO BRING IT TO LIFE, FIND OUT WHICH DORMS AREN'T
25 FUNCTIONALLY SOUND, FIND OUT WHICH ARE OR IS IT THE ENTIRE



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1 SYSTEM IS COLLAPSED, WHICH I DON'T BELIEVE IT HAS, AND THEN
2 COME BACK TO THE BOARD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE ELEMENTS
3 OF FIXING WHAT WE HAVE.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** I'M SORRY. I JUST HAVE ONE OTHER QUESTION. HOW ARE
6 YOU MOVING TOWARD CHARGING SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE INVOLVED
7 IN THIS FIGHT AND WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE DIRECTION? ARE YOU
8 GETTING THE INFORMATION SO SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO ACTUALLY
9 WERE THE ONES WHO PRECIPITATED THE FIGHT, WHO WERE THE ONES
10 WHO WERE THE REAL PROBLEMS, ARE WE SEEING-- WILL WE SEE SOON
11 SOME KIND OF CHARGES?

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, MA'AM. IN DIRECT FACT, MY APOLOGY FOR
14 NOT GIVING YOU THAT INFORMATION UNTIL YOU ASKED THIS QUESTION,
15 BUT OF THE DEATH OF THE FIRST PERSON THAT WAS KILLED IN THE
16 NORTH COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, THERE'S SEVEN PEOPLE HAVE
17 BEEN CHARGED.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** THEY'VE ALREADY BEEN CHARGED?

20

21 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, ACTUALLY, EXCUSE ME, THEY HAVE BEEN
22 ARRESTED. IT'S AN INTERESTING TERM, YOU'RE ALREADY IN JAIL BUT
23 THEY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED AND OUR POLICE REPORT INDICATES THAT
24 THEY ARE BEING CHARGED IN THE REPORT WITH MURDER. WE'VE
25 CARRIED IT OVER TO THE D.A.'S OFFICE AND I'M NOT SURE IF



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1 THEY'RE FILING CHARGES AT THIS POINT BUT THEY HAVE THE
2 RESPONSIBILITY TO REVIEW WHAT WE'VE DONE. THE SAME THING WITH
3 SOME OF THOSE THAT HAVE STARTED THE FIGHTS WITHOUT DEATHS,
4 WE'VE MADE SOME "ARRESTS" AND THEY'RE NAMED IN THE POLICE
5 REPORT. WE'RE GETTING A LOT OF COOPERATION FROM THE INMATES. I
6 DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY MORE COMMENTS TO ADD ON THIS.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** HOW MANY HAVE BEEN ARRESTED OR HOW MANY ARE UNDER
9 INVESTIGATION?

10

11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, I THINK IT'S UP OVER 50 AT THIS POINT.
12 I CAN'T GIVE YOU AN EXACT FIGURE BECAUSE I REALLY DON'T KNOW.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** IS THAT AT BOTH FACILITIES OR JUST AT CASTAIC?

15

16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THIS IS ALL FACILITIES. IN FACT, THE SECOND
17 DEATH WHERE THE INMATE WHO DIED ON HIS WAY TO THE CLINIC OR
18 WHEN HE ARRIVED THERE, I BELIEVE THOSE INMATES HAVE ALSO BEEN
19 CHARGED WITH MURDER.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** SHERIFF, I APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE AND I
24 APPRECIATE OUR MEETING EARLIER TODAY AS WELL. AS YOU AND I
25 DISCUSSED, AND WE'RE TRYING TO GET A HANDLE AS TO HOW TO



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1 CONTROL THE SITUATION AND THE CRISIS. IT IS QUITE EVIDENT THAT
2 WE HAVE MANY MORE PRISONERS OF HIGHER VIOLENT LEVELS THAN EVER
3 BEFORE AND THAT WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH DEPUTIES. SO,
4 CONSEQUENTLY, WE'VE GOT TO REMEDY ONE OF THOSE ASPECTS. WE
5 CANNOT CONTROL WHO IS COMING INTO OUR JAIL SYSTEM. THAT IS
6 CLEAR, UNFORTUNATELY, BUT WE CAN TRY AND FIGURE OUT HOW TO
7 MANAGE WHAT WE HAVE THERE AND THOSE ARE THE QUESTIONS THAT
8 WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET AN UNDERSTANDING FROM. OBVIOUSLY, WE
9 DON'T HAVE ENOUGH DEPUTIES AND NOTHING MIRACULOUS IS GOING TO
10 HAPPEN IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS UNDER OUR PRESENT SYSTEM UNLESS
11 WE DO SOMETHING. YOU AND I TALKED ABOUT THE STATE CONTRACT.
12 IF, IN FACT, WE GIVE NOTICE TO THE STATE TO CLOSE DOWN THAT
13 CONTRACT, WE WOULD IMMEDIATELY GET 183 DEPUTIES INTO OUR
14 SYSTEM WHICH, AT THE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION EFFORTS THAT
15 WE'RE AT, AT A LITTLE OVER-- A LITTLE LESS THAN 50 A YEAR, IT
16 WILL TAKE US YEARS TO GET 183 DEPUTIES. SO I HAVE A MOTION
17 TODAY THAT WE SHOULD SEND NOTICE, AND THE SHERIFF HAS
18 CONCURRED, THAT WE SHOULD ELIMINATE THAT CONTRACT AT THIS
19 POINT IN TIME. BUT, MR. JANSSEN, I WANT TO FOLLOW THOSE
20 NUMBERS BECAUSE I HAVE A HECK OF A TIME EVERY TIME YOU SHARE
21 THEM WITH ME. SO LET'S JUST GO THROUGH IT REAL QUICK BECAUSE,
22 EVEN IF WE DON'T GET IT TODAY, I'D LIKE TO GET IT EVENTUALLY.
23 DID YOU SAY TO ME THAT WE HAVE 3,000 INMATES THAT ARE STATE,
24 QUOTE, STATE INMATES AT DIFFERENT LEVELS. ON AN ONGOING BASIS,
25 WE ELIMINATE AT LEAST 500 OF THEM ON A WEEKLY BASIS. THEY GET



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1 PICKED UP BY STATE AND THEY GET HAULED OFF TO STATE PRISON. OF
2 THE REMAINING AMOUNT, WHICH IS 2,500, WE HAVE A CONTRACT FOR
3 1,290, IS THAT CORRECT? THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT NOW WE WOULD
4 ELIMINATE THAT CONTRACT, RIGHT?

5

6 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO NOW THOSE WOULD BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF
9 THE STATE, CORRECT, IF WE ELIMINATE THE CONTRACT?

10

11 **MARC KLUGMAN:** YOUR PREMISE IS GOOD. WHETHER OR NOT THE STATE
12 WOULD ACTUALLY COME AND GET THEM OR NOT IS SOMETHING WE'RE
13 GOING TO HAVE TO WORK WITH. [LAUGHTER]

14

15 **MARC KLUGMAN:** I'M BEING TRUTHFUL.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT.

18

19 **MARC KLUGMAN:** I THINK THAT THE STATE HAS A PROBLEM AS WELL AND
20 THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TALK TO THEM RATHER DIRECTLY.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I CAN APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE, WHEN I BROUGHT
23 MY PROBLEM TO YOU ABOUT THE NUMBER OF GANG MEMBERS THAT I HAVE
24 AND VERY VIOLENT GANG MEMBERS IN MY NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE
25 PRETTY BAD, I WENT TO THE SHERIFF AND I SAID, "I NEED MORE



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1 PATROL, I NEED TO PICK UP THESE GUYS, WE NEED TO GET THEM OFF
2 THE STREETS." WE DID. WELL, NOW THEY'RE YOUR PROBLEM, RIGHT?
3 WHICH IS A BIG ONE. THE REALITY IS, IT'S ALSO MY PROBLEM AS
4 WELL, BY THE WAY, BUT THE REALITY IS, IS THAT WE NEED TO MOVE
5 THEM UP TO THE STATE. IF THEY'RE STATE INMATES THAT BELONG TO
6 THE STATE, WE HAVE TO MOVE THEM UP THERE BECAUSE, AGAIN, WE
7 CANNOT BE THE PRESSURE VALVE THAT IS ALLOWING THE STATE TO BE
8 CALM AND COOL WHILE WE'RE HAVING A MAJOR CRITICAL CRISIS HERE.
9 SO WHETHER OR NOT THEY DO IT OR NOT, THERE'S NO DOUBT, WHEN I
10 PUT TOGETHER MY MOTION, THERE ARE ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE
11 EVALUATED. MR. JANSSEN IS CONCERNED ABOUT WE'RE GOING LOSING A
12 CONTRACT FOR \$27 MILLION SO, CONSEQUENTLY, WE NEED TO MAKE
13 THAT WHOLE IN SOME FASHION. WE'RE GETTING THE DEPUTIES TO THE
14 TUNE OF 183 NEW DEPUTIES, WHICH WOULD BE GREAT TO OUR SYSTEM.
15 I THINK THAT SHOULD ALLEVIATE SOME OF THE OVERTIME EXPENSES
16 AND OTHER KINDS OF THINGS BUT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT
17 THOSE NUMBERS. BUT WE'RE ALSO GOING TO HAVE TO NEGOTIATE WITH
18 THE STATE AS TO WHETHER, IN FACT, THEY'RE GOING TO BE WILLING
19 TO TAKE THEM OFF OUR HANDS. IT DOESN'T DO US A BIT OF GOOD TO
20 ELIMINATE THE CONTRACT AND STILL HOLD THOSE INMATES. SO IT HAS
21 TO BE UNDERSTOOD THAT-- WE DON'T WANT TO TRADE IT FOR A 68-
22 DOLLAR A DAY, YOU KNOW, INMATE COST, WE DON'T WANT THAT. IT
23 JUST DOESN'T PAY OUR EXPENSES AT ALL. SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE
24 THAT WE-- IF WE'RE GOING TO DO THIS AND, OF COURSE, MY ACTION
25 NOW BEGINS THE PROCESS OF MAKING THAT REQUEST, BUT IT SHOULD



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1 BRING US THE 183 DEPUTIES THAT WE NEED. NOW, WHAT I DON'T
2 UNDERSTAND IS THE REMAINING 1,210. NOW, THAT 1,210, WE JUST
3 HOLD BECAUSE THE STATE CAN'T TAKE THEM? OR WE HOLD THEM
4 BECAUSE THEY'RE WAITING TO GO TO COURT? WHAT IS-- WHY ARE WE
5 HOLDING 1,210 OF THESE INMATES?

6

7 **MARC KLUGMAN:** AGAIN, ALL NUMBERS ARE APPROXIMATE. THESE ARE
8 MOVING TARGETS. THE ANSWER IS THAT THEY GENERALLY ARE HERE
9 BECAUSE THE STATE DOESN'T TAKE THEM. THEY ARE HERE INITIALLY
10 FOR A HEARING, CALLED VAL DIVIA, WHICH IS REQUIRED. ONCE THAT
11 HEARING OCCURS, THAT'S THEIR REVOCATION HEARING. THEIR PAROLE
12 IS-- THEY ARE SENTENCED TO A TERM FOR THE VIOLATION OF PAROLE
13 AND THEY TYPICALLY ARE LEFT IN THE COUNTY JAIL TO SERVE THAT
14 TERM. AND THE REASON FOR THAT IS PRIMARILY BECAUSE THE STATE
15 HAS NO ROOM. WE'RE NOT UNIQUE IN THIS. YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT.
16 THIS IS A PROBLEM IN EVERY COUNTY JAIL ACROSS THE STATE.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I CAN APPRECIATE THAT. BUT, RIGHT NOW, WE ARE
19 BEARING THE BRUNT.

20

21 **MARC KLUGMAN:** WELL, I THINK YOU'RE SENDING A REALLY GOOD
22 MESSAGE. YOUR MOTION IS GOING TO RING SOME LOUD BELLS AND THE
23 STATE IS GOING TO NEED TO RESPOND.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY'RE GOING TO NEED TO RESPOND IN A QUICK
2 FASHION BECAUSE THAT IS CERTAINLY GOING TO BE AN EFFECTIVE
3 SOLUTION FOR US. I DON'T THINK IT'S EFFECTIVE FOR THEM AND IT
4 CERTAINLY MAY NOT BE EFFECTIVE IN THE LONG RUN OVERALL BUT THE
5 REALITY IS, IS THAT WE NEED TO DECOMPRESS OUR INMATE
6 POPULATION AND THERE'S-- IT'S ONE THAT'S STARING US IN THE
7 FACE. WE HAVE A FEDERAL CONTRACT THAT WE COULD LOOK AT AS WELL
8 AND WE HAVE OTHER KINDS OF OPPORTUNITIES WITH OTHER CONTRACTS
9 BUT LET'S NOT GO THERE. THIS SHOULD BE A HUGE BOOST TO OUR
10 ABILITY TO AT LEAST MANAGE THE INMATES WITHIN OUR
11 JURISDICTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND THAT'S WHAT WE SHOULD BE
12 DOING FIRST BECAUSE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WHEN IT COMES TO
13 LIABILITY, I DON'T THINK THE STATE IS GOING TO PAY THAT
14 LIABILITY, IF THEY'RE A STATE PRISONER. I THINK THE LIABILITY
15 BECOMES TOTALLY OURS AND SO, CONSEQUENTLY, WE MIGHT HAVE A 27-
16 MILLION-DOLLAR CONTRACT BUT, AS THESE JUDGMENTS START LINING
17 UP, WE'RE POTENTIALLY GOING TO BE PAYING MORE THAN THAT. WE
18 DON'T KNOW. SO I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THOSE NUMBERS AND THAT'S
19 GOING TO BE PART OF MY MOTION AS WELL, THAT WE START WORKING
20 WITH THE STATE DIRECTLY AND HOPEFULLY IT WILL RING SOME BELLS
21 BECAUSE I'D RATHER-- THEY'VE BEEN SITTING ON THE SIDELINES
22 VERY SILENTLY SAYING, "OH, LOOK WHAT'S GOING ON IN L.A.
23 COUNTY, SHAME ON THEM," INSTEAD OF COMING FORWARD AND SAYING
24 WE NEED TO WORK OUT THIS CRISIS. KICKING IT UP ALL THE WAY
25 THROUGH JUST DOESN'T RESOLVE THE ISSUE. WE DON'T WANT A STATE



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1 CRISIS EITHER BUT THE REALITY IS THEY HAVE TO BE PART OF THE
2 SOLUTION AND SO FAR I HAVE NOT SEEN THEM JOINING WITH US AT
3 ANY LEVEL TRYING TO BRING THE SOLUTION. SO IF, IN FACT, THEY
4 COULD TAKE ALL OF THEIR PRISONERS, THE 1,210, WE MIGHT BE ABLE
5 TO STILL KEEP THE CONTRACT, DAVID, AFTER ALL, RIGHT? SO THAT'S
6 WHAT'S GOING ON, IS THAT SOMEWHERE WE ARE HOLDING THEIR STATE
7 PRISONERS AND, EVEN THOUGH WE'RE GET A 68-DOLLAR REIMBURSEMENT
8 RATE, I MEAN, THAT JUST IS NOT COVERING OUR COST.

9

10 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THE ONLY THING I WOULD SAY IS THAT, TO BE FAIR,
11 SINCE THIS CRISIS HAS BEGUN, THIS EMERGENCY, THAT THE STATE
12 HAS BEEN VERY RESPONSIVE AND THAT, OVER THIS PERIOD OF TIME,
13 THE LAST FEW WEEKS, THEY HAVE TAKEN A COMBINATION OF STATE
14 INMATES, FROM NEWLY SENTENCED PRISONERS AND PAROLE VIOLATORS
15 OF ABOUT 1,500, WHICH IS A BIG NUMBER BUT IT'S CONTINUOUSLY
16 REPLENISHED.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WILL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT FOR YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** HAVE YOU BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY ANY OF THE SHOT
21 CALLERS AS STATE PRISONERS?

22

23 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YOU KNOW, AS A MATTER OF FACT, NOT, I
24 HAVEN'T HEARD THAT, DON. I THINK THAT IT'S A IMPORTANT
25 QUESTION TO ASK. HAVE YOU HEARD ANYTHING ON THAT LEVEL?



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2 **MARC KLUGMAN:** NO.

3

4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WE SEE IT AS WHAT'S IN THE STREET COMING
5 INTO THIS SYSTEM, YES. I'M SURE, I WOULD MAKE THIS POINT, I'M
6 SURE THAT MOST OF THOSE INVOLVED ARE ON THEIR WAY TO STATE
7 PRISON. THAT'S THE INTELLIGENCE THAT WE GOT, IT'S TRICKLING
8 DOWN THAT THEY'RE EARNING STRIPES HERE FOR WHAT THEY WILL GAIN
9 THERE.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. AND THEN ON THE OTHER AREA THAT WE
12 REALLY NEED TO RAMP UP AT SOME LEVEL IS OUR RECRUITMENT AND
13 OUR RETENTION. CERTAINLY THERE ARE MANY THAT WILL SAY, AND
14 THEY HAVE DIFFERENT WAYS OF EXPLAINING WHY WE ARE SO FAR
15 BEHIND AND IT CAN RANGE FROM WE DIDN'T FUND IT THREE, FIVE
16 YEARS AGO, TO THE FACT THAT OUR PROCESS IS VERY LONG, VERY
17 TEDIOUS, YOU CAN'T GET THE QUALITY OF RECRUIT THAT YOU WERE
18 GETTING YEARS AGO AND SO ON, BUT I THINK IT REALLY MERITS AN
19 EVALUATION AND A MECHANISM BY WHERE SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE
20 DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING AT THESE ISSUES. I DON'T THINK THE
21 DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE EXCLUDED AT ALL, I'M NOT INTERESTED IN
22 THAT. I'D LIKE TO CREATE ALSO A TASK FORCE TO BEGIN THE
23 PROCESS OF REVIEWING THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS. I AM CONCERNED
24 THAT THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE THAT CERTAINLY HAVE CALLED OUR
25 OFFICE AND, AGAIN, THEY MAY NOT BE THE QUALITY OF DEPUTY THAT



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1 YOU WANT, WHICH IS PROBABLY AN ISSUE BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, IF
2 THEY'VE BEEN WAITING SIX AND EIGHT MONTHS, WHEN WE ARE SO
3 DESPERATE. NOW, I UNDERSTAND THAT GETTING THEM TO THE TRAINING
4 AND CREATING THE ROOM FOR THAT IS ALSO AN ISSUE BUT I THINK WE
5 NEED TO REVIEW THE ENTIRE PROCESS, FROM THE DAY THAT THEY COME
6 IN AND THEY GET RECRUITED AS TO THE PROCESS OF LINING UP FOR
7 THE TESTING, LINING UP FOR WHATEVER OTHER EXAMS THEY HAVE,
8 GETTING ALL OF THAT BEFORE WE ACTUALLY HAVE A CANDIDATE AND
9 THEN, WHEN WE HAVE A CANDIDATE, AS THEY GO THROUGH THE
10 TRAINING, AGAIN, YOU KNOW, NOT ALL OF THEM MAKE IT. I MEAN, WE
11 HAVE QUITE A FEW THAT DROP OFF. AND THEN I THINK THE WORST
12 THING ABOUT IT IS, IS THAT THEN THESE DEPUTIES ARE GETTING
13 WOODED BY OTHER DEPARTMENTS. I MEAN, WE ARE TRAINING THEM,
14 PAYING THE DOLLARS TO TRAIN THEM AND, AFTER TWO YEARS, THEY'RE
15 LEAVING OUR SYSTEM. AND I THINK THAT WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT
16 THAT ISSUE AS WELL, AND THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. SO I'M
17 ALSO INTRODUCING A MOTION THAT WILL CREATE HOPEFULLY SOME KIND
18 OF A TASK FORCE THAT WOULD INVOLVE THE DEPARTMENT, THE
19 C.A.O.'S OFFICE, AND HOPEFULLY SOME OUTSIDE INVOLVEMENT,
20 SOMEONE TO LOOK AT IT FRESHLY AND MAYBE LOOK AT AN APPROACH AS
21 TO HOW IT'S GOING TO BE DONE AND ALSO BE INCLUSIVE OF THE
22 ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED ABOUT FINDING A WAY THAT WE COULD
23 ENCOURAGE MORE RECRUITMENT BUT EVEN THOSE THAT WE'RE DOING,
24 THEY'RE STAYING IN THE PROCESS SO LONG THAT THEY'RE GETTING



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1 PICKED OFF BY OTHER AGENCIES THAT ARE IN THE SAME SITUATION AS
2 WE ARE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** EXCEPT THEY'RE STILL IN THE JAILS AFTER TWO YEARS
5 IN THE...

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, AND THAT'S MY NEXT ISSUE, SIR.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOT HAVING THE DEPUTIES STAY IN JAIL
10 FOUR TO SIX YEARS, WHICH IS A MORALE BREAKER.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. WELL, AND THAT IS-- WE WERE LOOKING AT
13 THAT IN THE NUMBERS THAT WERE PRESENTED TO US THE LAST TIME IN
14 YOUR RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION. NOW, AGAIN, WHETHER OFFICERS
15 OR DEPUTIES ARE BEING HONEST IN THEIR EXIT EXAM OR NOT, IT DID
16 NOT DEMONSTRATE, EVEN IN YOUR OWN DATA, IN THE DATA THAT WAS
17 COLLECTED, THAT THE REASON THAT PEOPLE ARE LEAVING OUR SYSTEM
18 IS BECAUSE THEY GET TIRED OF BEING IN OUR JAIL SYSTEM BUT
19 THERE IS ENOUGH KIND OF INFORMATION OUT THERE OR CONCERN THAT
20 THAT MAY BE THE CASE. AND I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, AFTER THE
21 FIRST WEEK OF THIS CRISIS BEGAN WITH THE JAIL RIOTING, I ASKED
22 THE QUESTION, I'M NOT IN A POSITION TO RECOMMEND TO YOU THAT
23 THERE SHOULD BE A SEPARATE CUSTODY DEPARTMENT-- I DON'T MEAN
24 SEPARATE AND APART FROM THE SHERIFF BUT THAT YOU WOULD HAVE
25 JUST PEOPLE WHO GET HIRED TO BE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS. THE END.



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1 THEY DON'T GO ON TO BE DEPUTIES. THEY STAY IN THERE. THAT'S
2 WHAT THEY DO. AND CREATE A WHOLE SEPARATE DIVISION OR WHATEVER
3 YOU WANT THAT WOULD JUST TAKE CARE OF THAT. I REALLY THINK
4 THAT IT MAY HELP, WE DON'T KNOW, BUT I DON'T WANT TO MAKE THAT
5 RECOMMENDATION. I STILL HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU ALL TO
6 PRESENT IT TO ME, AND SO I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A DEADLINE,
7 SINCE I HAVEN'T GOTTEN IT IN THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS. IF YOU
8 COULD TURN AROUND AND TELL ME WHETHER THIS IS GOING TO HELP
9 AND, IF IT ISN'T GOING TO HELP, WHY NOT? IF YOU WOULD
10 RECOMMEND IT OR, AGAIN, WHY IS IT THAT, EVEN IF, RIGHT NOW,
11 UNDER OUR RATIOS THAT WE HAVE UNDER OUR M.O.U. WITH OUR LABOR
12 UNION, WE'RE STILL NOT FULFILLING THE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS
13 NUMBER AND THAT IS-- THAT, AGAIN, ALL OF THESE AREAS IN
14 RECRUITMENT ARE A CONCERN TO ME. SO I'D LIKE TO SEE A QUICKER
15 TURNAROUND ON THAT ISSUE BECAUSE, EVEN IF WE WERE TO CREATE
16 SUCH A SEPARATE, AND IT'S GOING TO REQUIRE A WHOLE LOT OF
17 EFFORT AND WORK. NONE OF THIS IS GOING TO BE HAPPENING
18 AUTOMATICALLY. EVEN THE STATE CONTRACT IS GOING TO TAKE US A
19 NUMBER OF YEARS. SO THOSE ARE THE ISSUES THAT I'M INTERESTED
20 IN AND I HAVE MOTIONS FOR SOME OF THEM. AND THEN FINALLY, THE
21 LAST CONCERN I HAVE, ALTHOUGH, AGAIN, NOT BEING A-- CERTAINLY
22 NOT KNOWING ENOUGH ABOUT CORRECTIONS OR LAW ENFORCEMENT, WE
23 LOOK TO YOU, BASICALLY, TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP IN THAT AREA AND
24 I MENTIONED THIS TO YOU EARLIER. I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK
25 ABOUT WHETHER, IN FACT, TO QUELL A DISTURBANCE THAT YOU MUST



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1 TAKE ALL THE ACTIONS VITAL AND NECESSARY TO DO SO. BUT THE
2 ARTICLE THAT I READ ON FRIDAY WAS TROUBLING FOR ME FROM THE
3 STANDPOINT OF THE ACTION THAT WAS TAKEN. YET, AT THE SAME
4 TIME, I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM IF THAT IS THE ACTION THAT YOU,
5 AS THE SHERIFF, ARE TAKING AND I AM HOPING THAT YOU WILL
6 CREATE A PROCESS, HOWEVER IT IS, SO THAT YOU HAVE THE ULTIMATE
7 RESPONSIBILITY AND DUTY OF MAKING THOSE KINDS OF DECISIONS AND
8 THAT THEY ARE NOT MADE BY-- BECAUSE EVEN AN ACTION AS THAT,
9 WITH THE TECHNOLOGY THAT WE HAVE TODAY, EVEN IF YOU WERE OUT
10 OF THIS COUNTRY, YOU COULD BE REACHED AND COMMUNICATED WITH
11 WITHIN 10 MINUTES. IT WILL TAKE THEM LONGER TO GET ALL OF
12 THOSE MEN ORGANIZED TO TAKE OFF ALL OF THEIR CLOTHES AND STRIP
13 THEM OF THEIR MATTRESSES. SO I WOULD PREFER AND I WOULD HOPE
14 THAT YOU COULD PUT FORTH A POLICY THAT, WHEN IT COMES TO
15 TAKING THAT DRAMATIC AN ACTION, THAT IT WOULD BE YOU AS THE
16 SHERIFF THAT WOULD BE UNDERTAKING THAT RESPONSIBILITY INSTEAD
17 OF JUST LEAVING IT TO WHOEVER IS IN COMMAND OF THE PARTICULAR
18 UNIT. I'M NOT SURE, AGAIN, WHETHER, IN FACT, WE ARE GOING TO
19 SEE ANYTHING FROM THAT AGAIN OR NOT OR WE'LL EVER HAVE TO GET
20 THAT DRAMATIC BUT I AM CONCERNED, WHEN IT IS YOUR AGENTS OR
21 EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE IN CHARGE AND THEY'RE GIVEN
22 RESPONSIBILITY, THAT LEVEL OR THAT KIND OF A DECISION REALLY
23 MERITS YOU MAKING THAT DECISION. AND I'D APPRECIATE IT IF THAT
24 WERE THE ORDER.

25



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** CONSIDER IT DONE.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, SIR. SO I WILL INTRODUCE THE TWO
4 MOTIONS, I HAVE THEM AND MY STAFF CAN PASS THEM OUT. ONE OF
5 THE MOTIONS, OF COURSE, ASKS THAT THE C.A.O., ALONG WITH OUR
6 COUNTY COUNSEL, BEGIN THE RAPID TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT
7 WITH THE STATE AND, OF COURSE, WITH THAT, MR. JANSSEN IS GOING
8 TO HAVE TO LET US KNOW WHAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE IN ORDER TO
9 MAKE THAT HAPPEN, WHAT THE PROCESS WILL BE, AS WELL AS WHAT
10 THE CONSEQUENCES ARE FINANCIALLY TO THE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE WE
11 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE REPAIR THAT AS WELL. YOU DON'T EARN
12 183 DEPUTIES WITHOUT HAVING TO PAY A PRICE FOR IT, SO IT'S
13 GOING TO COST US SOME MONEY. AND THEN THE OTHER ISSUE IS, OF
14 COURSE, THAT WE ASK THE SHERIFF, AS WELL AS THE C.A.O., TO
15 ESTABLISH THE WORKING GROUP AS THE TASK FORCE ON THE ISSUES OF
16 RECRUITMENT AND THAT WE FIND THE RIGHT BLEND OF WHO ARE THE
17 FOLKS THAT COULD COME IN. HOPEFULLY, IT WILL BE PEOPLE FROM
18 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PEOPLE FROM THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE OR
19 HOWEVER THAT'S DONE, SOMEBODY FROM THE OUTSIDE THAT KNOWS
20 ENOUGH ABOUT THESE ISSUES AND I'D ALSO LIKE IT TO BE INCLUSIVE
21 OF LABOR AS WELL, AS THEY HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THESE
22 ISSUES. AND THEN I'M NOT GOING TO MAKE A MOTION BUT I DO HOPE
23 THAT WE ARE GOING TO PUSH THE STATE TO TAKE THEIR PRISONERS
24 AND, FINALLY, AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE NEED TO SEND A LETTER OR
25 HOW YOU WANT TO DO THAT BUT THAT'S SOMETHING WE HAVE TO SEE



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1 DONE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND THEN, FINALLY, THE LAST THING
2 IS THAT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT, IN THE PROCESS OF CARRYING
3 OUT THIS WORK, I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER THE LAST ISSUE THAT I
4 RAISED BESIDES THE WORKING GROUP, IS TO MAKE SURE THAT-- LET'S
5 SEE, WE HAVE OUR STATE PRISONER ISSUE AND THEN FINALLY YOU'RE
6 GOING TO LET ME KNOW ON THE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS. THAT WAS THE
7 ISSUE. I WON'T MAKE A MOTION FOR THAT, BUT I DO THINK WE NEED
8 A REPORT FROM YOU ON THAT ISSUE. I THINK IT WOULD ALSO BE A
9 PART OF THE TASK FORCE AS WELL.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'LL SECOND THAT. THEN SUPERVISOR
12 KNABE, THEN SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M FINE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WANT TO UNDERSTAND A COUPLE OF THINGS
19 ABOUT THE STATE CONTRACT. THE MOTION DIRECTS THE C.A.O. TO
20 ASSIST IN THE RAPID TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT. THAT'S WHAT
21 IT SAYS IN WRITING. THE VERBAL DISCUSSION WAS TO ASK YOU TO
22 REPORT BACK AND GIVE US AN ANALYSIS OF THE COSTS. I DON'T HAVE
23 A PROBLEM IF IT'S THE LATTER, ESPECIALLY SINCE YOU'RE COMING
24 BACK ON MARCH 14TH, ALL OF YOU, WITH A COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE
25 TO THE BOARD'S MOTION OF A COUPLE WEEKS AGO OR REQUESTS OF A



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1 COUPLE WEEKS AGO ON FACILITIES PLANNING. SO I JUST WANT TO
2 UNDERSTAND THAT-- THE QUESTION I'M ASKING IS, DOES THIS MOTION
3 INITIATE THE TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT?

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** OR IS IT A REQUEST TO SEND...

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, MR. MAYOR, SUPERVISOR, I THINK YOU'VE
8 RAISED A VERY GOOD QUESTION BECAUSE THE VERBAL PRESENTATION
9 WAS WE ARE TO RETURN WITH THE COSTS SO YOU CAN MAKE A
10 DECISION. THE MOTION ITSELF RIGHT NOW SAYS TERMINATE THE
11 CONTRACT...

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, NO. THE MOTION IS TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT.
14 I WOULD TAKE IT THAT YOU WOULD COME BACK TO US AND LET US KNOW
15 KNOW. ONE OF THE THINGS WE'RE RELOOKING AT THE DETAILS OF THE
16 CONTRACT. IT DOESN'T HAPPEN OVERNIGHT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HE ANSWERED THE QUESTION.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S 180 DAYS, I THINK.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. IT TAKES A LONG TIME, SO I TAKE IT, IT
23 WOULD GIVE US THAT INFORMATION BUT I WOULD LIKE THIS BOARD TO
24 MAKE A POLICY DECISION AT THIS POINT IN TIME TO TERMINATE THE
25 CONTRACT OR TO REQUEST THAT THE TERMINATION BE MADE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU ANSWERED THE QUESTION. LET ME ASK YOU A
3 QUESTION, SHERIFF. IF-- HOW MANY STATE-- LET'S GO OVER THIS
4 ONE MORE TIME. HOW MANY STATE PRISONERS DO YOU HAVE IN THE
5 SYSTEM, IN OUR SYSTEM?

6

7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ACCORDING TO WHAT MARC SAID, 3,000 AT ANY
8 GIVEN TIME.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ABOUT 3,000. HOW MANY ARE SUBJECT TO THIS
11 CONTRACT? ALL OF THEM?

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** 1,200 OF THEM.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 1,200 OF THEM. YOU QUESTION-- IF THE STATE
16 TAKES THE 1,200 BACK, REDUCING THE NUMBER OF PRISONERS IN OUR
17 SYSTEM BY 1,200 PRISONERS, CORRECT?

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WOULD BE YOUR PLAN? WOULD IT BE TO KEEP
22 PRISONERS WHO YOU ARE RELEASING EARLY, KEEP THEM LONGER?

23



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** KEEP THEM LONGER, BRING FORTH A LARGER
2 POPULATION OF COUNTY-TYPE SENTENCEES THAT ARE NOT THE
3 VIOLENT...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. SO YOU WOULD BACKFILL THE 1,200
6 SLOTS WITH 1,200 OTHER PRISONERS. THEY WOULDN'T BE STATE
7 PRISONERS, THEY WOULD BE MISDEMEANANTS OR PEOPLE AWAITING
8 WHATEVER IT IS, WHOEVER THEY ARE, CORRECT?

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** TO AN EXTENT, YES, BUT WHEN THERE'S THE
11 UNEXPECTED FLUCTUATION OF HIGHER SERIOUS OFFENDERS UNDER THAT
12 91% CATEGORY THAT WE'RE AT NOW, THEN I WOULD BE FORCED TO KEEP
13 THEM. SO, AGAIN, IT CAN BE SQUEEZED AGAINST THIS 1,200 AS
14 WELL.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT WHATEVER THE SITUATION,
17 WHATEVER THE DEMOGRAPHIC OF THE INMATES ARE, YOU DO NOT INTEND
18 TO REDUCE, TO THIN OUT OR DECOMPRESS BY 1,200 INMATES?

19

20 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO, NO. BUT IN THE VIEW THAT PERHAPS WE FILL
21 BACK 600 OR 800 OR 1,200, WE HAVE THE CAPACITY TO GO ALL THE
22 WAY UP TO 12, WE WOULD DO THAT. BUT I THINK THE OTHER SIDE OF
23 MY DISCUSSION WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS THAT OUR STAFFING
24 NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO MOVE INTO THE AREAS WHERE WE HAVE THESE
25 CRITICAL PROBLEM-TYPE PEOPLE AS WELL. THAT GIVES US TWO



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1 BENEFITS. IT GIVES US, ONE, THE ABILITY TO DO AS WE'VE BEEN
2 DISCUSSING. TWO, IT GIVES US THE BENEFIT TO OFFER MORE
3 SUPERVISION IN THE AREAS THAT WE COULD USE MORE SUPERVISION.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I JUST-- IT'S NOT CLEAR TO ME, AND I'M
6 NOT-- YOU'RE NOT ABLE TO SAY AT THIS POINT WHAT THE INMATE
7 POPULATION WILL BE IF YOU SUSPEND THE CONTRACT. SO WHAT IS IT
8 ABOUT SUSPENDING THE CONTRACT THAT YOU FIND WORTHY OF YOUR
9 SUPPORT? WHAT IS IT THAT IT DOES FOR YOU?

10

11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** SIMPLY THE-- SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS CORRECT IN
12 THE LOGIC THAT, FOR THIS 1,200 INMATES, EVEN THOUGH THEY GIVE
13 US \$27 MILLION, IT TAKES OUR FOCUS OFF OUR COUNTY PRIORITY.
14 WE'VE BASICALLY LOST OUR COUNTY PRIORITY. I WAS KIND OF
15 EXPLAINING THIS HISTORICALLY AT THE OPENING REMARKS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RIGHT.

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT THE STATE'S OBLIGATION FOR PEOPLE WHO
20 ARE PREDICTABLY GOING TO BE INCARCERATED IN THE STATE PRISON
21 SYSTEM HAS BECOME OUR OBLIGATION. BUT THE NATURE OF THE LAW
22 SAYS, WELL, YOU GOTTA DO IT WITH THOSE WHO ARE NOT CONVICTED
23 YET, SO DON'T CRY ABOUT IT, THEY'RE YOURS. AT THE SAME TIME,
24 WE'RE TAKING DOWN FROM THE STATE 1,200 OF THEIR RESPONSIBLE
25 PRISONERS AND WE'RE MAKING THEM OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND I DON'T



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1 THINK THAT WE SHOULD DO THAT IF WE HAD THE FUNDS TO DO OUR OWN
2 WORK AND I THINK THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS SAYING THIS IS A
3 WAY TO SHIFT BACK TO OUR OWN CONTROL SYSTEM, WHICH IS A BETTER
4 SYSTEM OVERALL FOR A LOT OF REASONS, LIABILITY INCLUDED.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT, IF YOU DECOMPRESS
7 AND YOU THIN OUT, THAT IT WOULD BE AN ADVANTAGE, IF YOU WERE
8 TO IMPROVE THE RATIO OF DEPUTIES TO PRISONERS...

9

10 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT'S ANOTHER ADVANTAGE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ...IT WOULD BE AN ADVANTAGE. BUT IF YOU'RE
13 TAKING 1,200 OUT AND PUTTING 1,200 BACK IN OR 900 OR A
14 THOUSAND BACK IN, YOU'RE NOT REALLY MEANINGFULLY REDUCING THE
15 RATIO. THAT'S THE ONLY THING-- I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT WE'RE
16 DOING SO THAT WE'RE NOT HERE POINTING, JABBING A FINGER AT YOU
17 IN THREE MONTHS SAYING, "YOU TOLD US, BECAUSE IT SAID SO IN
18 THE MOTION, THAT WE WERE GOING TO REDUCE THE RATIO OF DEPUTIES
19 TO PRISONERS." THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU SEE HAPPENING.

20

21 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** NO.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND, IN FACT, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT, AND YOU
24 KNOW THIS MORE THAN I DO, THAT YOU'LL BE UNDER PRESSURE TO
25 BACKFILL EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM, BECAUSE YOU'RE ALREADY



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1 UNDER PRESSURE, AS ALL OF US ARE, BECAUSE OF THE EARLY RELEASE
2 PROGRAM. SO TO THE EXTENT YOU THIN OUT STATE PRISONERS, YOU
3 CAN MITIGATE THE EARLY RELEASE PROGRAM. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS
4 WE'LL BE PAYING FOR IT, NOT THE STATE. AND, ON MARCH 14TH, I
5 THINK THAT'S THE DATE WE'VE ASKED YOU TO COME BACK WITH A
6 LONGER-TERM CAPITAL NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF WHAT YOU NEED TO DO,
7 WHETHER IT'S AT SYBIL BRAND OR ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE SYSTEM TO
8 HELP YOU DECOMPRESS AND THERE ARE GOING TO BE DOLLAR FIGURES
9 ASSIGNED TO THOSE OPTIONS AS WELL AS THIS ONE. WE KNOW WHAT
10 THIS ONE IS GOING TO COST, REASONABLY ACCURATELY, \$27 MILLION
11 A YEAR. THAT'S REALLY NOT A LOT OF MONEY IF THAT'S THE ONLY,
12 RELATIVELY SPEAKING, NOT A LOT OF MONEY, IF THAT'S THE ONLY
13 THING WE'RE GOING TO SPEND IT ON IN YOUR DEPARTMENT. BUT IF
14 YOU COME BACK AND NEED \$160 MILLION TO DO SYBIL BRAND AND, YOU
15 KNOW, WHAT I HOPE YOU WILL COME BACK WITH ONCE AND FOR ALL IS
16 WHATEVER THE AMOUNT OF MONEY IS TO PUT FILM CAMERAS IN THE
17 JAILS THAT DON'T HAVE THEM, AS YOU HAVE THEM IN THE PITCHES
18 EAST FACILITY, WHICH SHOULD HAVE THEM EVERYWHERE, IF IT COSTS
19 \$5 MILLION, WHICH WOULD BE A LOT, I THINK THAT WOULD BE WORTH
20 THE SPENDING AND WHATEVER ELSE YOU HAVE. SO YOU'RE GOING TO
21 HAVE A WHOLE LIST OF POTENTIAL EXPENDITURES. I'D LIKE TO KNOW
22 WHAT THEY ALL ARE. I THINK THE BOARD OUGHT TO KNOW WHAT THEY
23 ALL ARE SO THAT WE CAN EVALUATE WHAT THE RELATIVE VALUE IS OF
24 THIS OPTION VERSUS THAT OPTION OR WHETHER YOU WANT TO, IN YOUR
25 DISCUSSIONS WITH THE STATE, GO A HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE WAY IN



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1 CANCELING OR PARTIAL. I DON'T KNOW HOW IT WORKS WITH THE STATE
2 IN TERMS OF THEIR FLEXIBILITY BUT I WOULD IMAGINE THAT THEY
3 WOULD BE IN A POSITION-- THEY'D BE HARD-PRESSED NOT TO
4 COOPERATE WITH YOU AT LEAST AS TO THE 1,200 PRISONERS. SO I AM
5 NOT AVERSE TO CANCELING THE CONTRACT. I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT
6 THE TOTAL PICTURE IS BECAUSE, IF I DON'T KNOW AND THEN ONE OF
7 YOUR OPTIONS COMES FLYING THROUGH THE TRANSOM IN MARCH, YOU
8 KNOW, ONE OF A DOZEN PROPOSALS AND ONE OF THOSE PROPOSALS MAY
9 IN YOUR MIND BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THIS IN TERMS OF MANAGING,
10 DECOMPRESSING, THINNING OUT, BEEFING UP THE SECURITY,
11 IMPROVING THE-- REDUCING THE RISK OF DISTURBANCES, ET CETERA,
12 THEN I THINK WE'LL ALL WANT TO BE OPERATING ON A COMPREHENSIVE
13 LIST AND NOT SEQUENTIALLY. SO I'M STILL NOT CLEAR. I THINK
14 YOU'RE-- I THINK YOU'RE BEING ASKED TO INITIATE A PROCESS, MR.
15 JANSSEN, BUT YOU'RE GOING TO BE COMING BACK TO THE BOARD WITH
16 STATUS REPORTS ON THE PROCESS AS IT GOES ALONG. IS THAT-- IS
17 THAT YOUR UNDERSTANDING?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK THAT'S RIGHT. WE WOULD-- WE WOULD
20 NOTIFY, GIVE THE STATE NOTIFICATION, AND I'M LOOKING AT THE
21 CONTRACT TO SEE, I THINK IT'S 180 DAYS, BUT THERE WOULD BE
22 SUFFICIENT TIME TO RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH THE INFORMATION
23 YOU NEED ON THE COSTS OF ALL OF THE OTHER OPTIONS THAT THE
24 SHERIFF PRESENTED TODAY BECAUSE ALL OF THEM DO HAVE
25 ADDITIONAL...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW, IF THE STATE DOESN'T HAVE ROOM, I'M
3 JUST ASKING NOW A PUBLIC SAFETY QUESTION, NOT A MONEY
4 QUESTION, IF THE STATE DOESN'T HAVE ROOM FOR SOME OF THESE
5 1,200, THEN WHAT HAPPENS? DO THEY LET THEM GO EARLY? CAN THEY
6 LET THEM GO EARLY? THESE ARE SERIOUS STATE FELONS.

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IT'S MY BELIEVE THAT THEY CANNOT LET THEM GO
9 EARLY.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, THAT MEANS YOU CANNOT LET THEM GO
12 EARLY. NOW, WHICH ONES WERE YOU SUGGESTING, CHIEF, WERE YOU
13 SUGGESTING THAT THEY MIGHT NOT TAKE THEM BACK? WAS IT THE
14 1,200 OR THE 1,800?

15

16 **MARC KLUGMAN:** WE WERE TALKING AT THAT TIME ABOUT THOSE ON THE
17 CONTRACT. WE VOID THE CONTRACT, I DON'T KNOW THAT THERE'S ANY
18 GUARANTEE THAT THE STATE WOULD COME PICK THOSE PRISONERS UP.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ARE THESE PRISONERS WHO ARE IN THERE FOR
21 SENTENCES THAT ARE IN THE YEARS?

22

23 **MARC KLUGMAN:** NO.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'RE SHORT-TERM SENTENCES?



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2 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THEY'RE SHORT-TERM SENTENCES BY AND LARGE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHAT IS THE LONGEST SENTENCE THAT ANY OF
5 THOSE 1,200...

6

7 **MARC KLUGMAN:** I DON'T KNOW THAT BUT TYPICALLY THESE
8 VIOLATIONS, TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS OF PAROLE THAT MOST OF THESE
9 ARE IN ON ARE IN TERMS OF MONTHS. YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT 60, 90
10 DAYS, THAT KIND OF THING.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THESE ARE PEOPLE WHO WERE ON PAROLE FOR
13 CRIMES THAT WERE SERIOUS, THEY'VE BEEN PAROLED OUT, NOW THEY
14 VIOLATED THEIR PAROLE SO THEY GET KICKED BACK INTO OUR JAIL,
15 BASED ON THE CONTRACT?

16

17 **MARC KLUGMAN:** YES.

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IF I MAY, THERE ARE TWO PROGRAMS WITH THE
20 STATE AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION FOCUSES ON ONE AND I
21 BELIEVE THE ONE THAT SHE'S FOCUSING ON IS NOT PAROLE
22 REVOCATIONS, IT'S THE STATE SENDING, PRIOR TO THE RELEASE FROM
23 STATE PRISON TO COUNTY JAIL UNDER BRULTEE DOLLARS, AN AMOUNT
24 OF TIME THAT THEY SPEND HERE THEORETICALLY ACCLIMATING



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1 THEMSELVES LOCALLY BEFORE THEY'RE ACTUALLY RELEASED. AND THAT
2 HAS BEEN TRADITIONALLY WHAT THIS MONEY HAS BEEN USED FOR.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO GIVE ME AN EXAMPLE. SOMEBODY WHO'S BEEN
5 IN THERE FOR ARMED ROBBERY...

6

7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** 10 YEARS, ARMED ROBBERY.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOR TEN YEARS, HE'S GOT SIX MONTHS LEFT TO
10 GO, THEY SHIP HIM DOWN HERE FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS TO
11 ACCLIMATE IN ONE OF OUR JAILS.

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, YES. WITH FULL REIMBURSEMENT IN MIND.
14 AND, BY THE WAY, THAT STATE MEASURE THAT THE GOVERNOR IS
15 PROPOSING IS NOTHING MORE THAN A CONTINUATION EXPANSION OF
16 THAT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** EXPANSION OF THIS KIND OF A PROGRAM?

19

20 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** OF USING STATE-- FINDING STATE REVENUE TO
21 HELP BUILD COUNTY JAILS TO SUIT THAT PURPOSE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN OTHER WORDS, NO NET GAIN FOR US.

24

25 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** RIGHT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WILL JUST...

3

4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YOU KNOW, MARC AND I ARE IN A LITTLE
5 CONFLICT HERE BUT HE'S SAYING SOMETHING ELSE. I WANT TO GIVE
6 HIM THE RESPECT...

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE ALL KNOW HE'S THE SHOT CALLER HERE SO
9 IT'S-- JUST JOKING.

10

11 **MARC KLUGMAN:** NO. WITH RESPECT TO THE SHERIFF, I'D LIKE TO
12 RESEARCH THIS A LITTLE BIT FURTHER AND RESPOND BACK TO THE
13 BOARD BECAUSE I THINK THERE'S SOME CONFUSION ABOUT THAT RIGHT
14 NOW.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ABOUT? WHO THESE INMATES ARE?

17

18 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE COMING-- GOING UP OR
19 COMING DOWN.

20

21 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT. I'D LIKE TO DO SOME RESEARCH AND
22 COME BACK TO YOU.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK, IF YOU'RE NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE
25 LEVEL OF RESEARCH YOU HAVE, IT'S A GOOD IDEA.



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** HE'S GOOD DIPLOMAT. TRAINED HERE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT NOTHING WE'RE
5 DOING HERE IS IRREVOCABLE IN TERMS OF YOUR COMING BACK. I WANT
6 TO BE SURE WE'RE NOT DOING SOMETHING IN THE BLIND HERE THAT WE
7 WILL BE SORRY FOR, AND I'M TOTALLY IN SYMPATHY, MORE THAN
8 SYMPATHY, WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE DAIS HERE WITH
9 WHAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAVE BEEN
10 SAYING. I JUST WANT TO BE SURE THAT THERE ARE NO UNINTENDED
11 CONSEQUENCES, BECAUSE YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THERE ARE
12 UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THAT MOTION IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE
15 CLARIFIED, THEN, BECAUSE THE MOTION...

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I'D LIKE TO CLARIFY IT, IF SUPERVISOR
18 MOLINA WILL ACCEPT THAT AS KIND OF THE INTENT, I WOULD-- I
19 DON'T THINK WE'RE THAT...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I MEAN, IF IT DOESN'T WORK, IT'S NOT GOING
22 TO WORK. THE WAY THE MOTION READS...

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE SAYING AT ALL.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, THEY ARE...

2

3 **SPEAKER:** WE HAVE THE REPORT...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT THEY'RE SAYING IS THAT THEY DON'T KNOW
6 AND, IF THEY DON'T KNOW, WE DON'T KNOW.

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ONE THING, SUPERVISOR, LET ME STRAIGHTEN
9 THIS OUT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH.

12

13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WHETHER IT'S WHAT MY DEFINITION OF THAT
14 GROUP OF INMATES IS OR MARC'S DEFINITION, IT'S STILL STATE
15 INMATES. AND, EITHER WAY, THE MOTION STAYS HOLD ON ITS INTENT.
16 IT'S TAKING "X" NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT BELONG TO THE STATE AND
17 SAYING WE'RE NOT LONGER GOING TO DO THIS UNDER THIS CONDITION.
18 AND I DON'T THINK WE NEED TO WORRY ABOUT WHETHER IT'S MY TYPE
19 OF INMATE THAT I THINK IT IS OR HIS TYPE OF INMATE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND BUT LET ME-- BUT WHAT THE
22 DIFFERENCE-- IT DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO ME WHAT KIND OF
23 INMATE IT IS BECAUSE, IF WE'RE NOT PAYING FOR IT-- I'M SORRY,
24 IF THE STATE'S NOT PAYING FOR IT AND THEY'RE NOT GOING TO TAKE



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1 THEM AND THEY'RE STILL IN OUR FACILITIES, THEN WE'RE GOING TO
2 END UP...

3

4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** BUT I HAVE ANOTHER ANSWER, IF I MAY.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CERTAINLY.

7

8 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I'LL JUST SEND THEM TO THEM. AND, YOU KNOW,
9 THERE'S AN ISSUE HERE WITH WHETHER WE'RE BEING TOO GENTEEL ON
10 THE ISSUE OR NOT. AND, IF I PUT THEM IN BUSES AND DROP THEM
11 OFF AT THEIR FACILITIES, WHICH I DO EVERY DAY ANYWAY WITH
12 WHATEVER THEY CAN TAKE, THEN IT'S THEIR PROBLEM TO WORRY
13 ABOUT. AND THEN THEY'LL HAVE TO FASTEN DOWN BEDS. AND THEN
14 THEY'LL HAVE TO DO THE THINGS THAT WE'VE HAD TO DO TO
15 ACCOMMODATE WHAT THEY HAVE COSTED US TO DO BECAUSE WE HAVE A
16 CONTRACT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I UNDERSTAND. THAT'S AN INTERESTING WAY OF
19 GOVERNING. BEFORE I FINISH, WOULD IT BE FAIR, GLORIA, WOULD
20 YOU-- I'M JUST TRYING TO LOOK AT YOUR FIRST RESOLVE PART, TO
21 DIRECT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND COUNTY COUNSEL--
22 WHAT WOULD BE-- COULD YOU-- WELL, I DON'T WANT TO WEAKEN THE
23 INTENT BUT I ALSO WANT IT TO BE ONE STEP SHORT OF IRREVOCABLE
24 AND SO...

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THEY HAVE 180 DAYS.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, THAT'S THE QUESTION. MR. JANSSEN WAS
4 HAVING HEARTBURN HERE A MINUTE AGO. WHAT IS 180 DAYS?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT HE'S HAD HEARTBURN ON THIS FROM DAY ONE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS 180 DAYS? MR. JANSSEN, WHAT IS 180
9 DAYS?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I BELIEVE THE NOTICE TO THE STATE, WE HAVE A
12 180-DAY NOTICE TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT AND I WOULD POINT
13 OUT, ONLY BECAUSE OF THE IRONY OF IT, IT WAS IN 1997 WHEN WE
14 USED THIS CONTRACT, ALONG WITH THE FEDERAL CONTRACT, TO OPEN
15 TWIN TOWERS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS BOARD ASKED FOR IT. YOU BET.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ABSOLUTELY.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS BOARD ASKED FOR THESE CONTRACTS.
22 THERE'S NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT.

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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE ASKED FOR IT. IT ALLOWED US TO OPEN TWIN
2 TOWERS WHICH HAD BEEN BUILT AND CLOSED FOR A PERIOD OF TIME
3 BECAUSE THE COUNTY COULDN'T AFFORD. SO IT IS A DIFFERENT TIME.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THEN WAS THEN AND NOW IS NOW AND IT'S A
6 DIFFERENT...

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT'S A DIFFERENT TIME ALTOGETHER.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S A DIFFERENT SITUATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES
11 CHANGE AND THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH REASSESSING THIS AND
12 PERHAPS WE SHOULD HAVE REASSESSED IT EARLIER BUT I DON'T THINK
13 IT WAS-- WELL, FOR WHATEVER-- SO AS LONG AS WE ARE NOT MAKING
14 AN IRREVOCABLE DECISION AND YOU'RE GOING TO REPORT BACK-- CAN
15 YOU TRY TO REPORT BACK TO US WHEN MARCH 14TH COMES AROUND WITH
16 THE OTHER STATUS REPORT ON THIS MOTION AS WELL AS ALL THE
17 OTHER THINGS THAT ARE CONTAINED IN THE MARCH 14TH REQUEST OR
18 THE REQUEST FOR MARCH 14TH? THAT WOULD...

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. WE HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY TOLD THAT THE
23 DORMITORIES ARE OVERCROWDED. WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT, IN THE
24 CELLS, YOU HAVE MORE PEOPLE THAN YOU USUALLY HAVE. IN FACT, IN
25 THE CASE OF THIS LAST FATALITY, WE WERE TOLD THAT THERE WERE



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1 MORE PEOPLE IN THERE AND THIS 6 WAS IN THERE WITH THE 8S
2 BECAUSE THERE WAS INADEQUATE FACILITY AND THAT WE DID NOT HAVE
3 THOSE FACILITIES SUFFICIENT IN ORDER FOR YOU TO PROPERLY
4 MANAGE THE PEOPLE WHO WERE THE INMATES. NOW, WHEN WE TALK
5 ABOUT TERMINATING THE STATE CONTRACT, I FIND IT STRANGE THAT
6 YOU SAY, WELL THEN WE'RE JUST GOING TO KEEP PEOPLE WHO HAVE
7 TICKETS AND KEEP THEM IN JAIL OR KEEP PEOPLE WHO ARE DUI OR
8 WHATEVER RATHER THAN REARRANGING THE FACILITY SO THAT YOU'RE
9 ABLE TO BETTER MANAGE BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN TOLD AGAIN AND
10 AGAIN THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE IN THE DORMITORY THAN SHOULD BE
11 THERE. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF FLOOR SLEEPERS, WE'VE CUT OUT THE
12 FLOOR SLEEPERS BUT WE HAVE AN EXTRA BED IN THERE. SO, YOU
13 KNOW, WHEN I SAY I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU TERMINATE THE CONTRACT, I
14 AM ONLY INTERESTED IN THAT BECAUSE I SEE THAT YOU MIGHT BE
15 ABLE TO BETTER MANAGE THE PRISONERS WHO ARE THE VERY VICIOUS
16 PRISONERS. WE HAVE ENOUGH OF PEOPLE IN THE CELLS THAT WOULD BE
17 APPROPRIATE RATHER THAN MORE THAN THEY'RE DESIGNED TO KEEP.
18 SO, YOU KNOW, I DIDN'T READ THIS SOMEWHERE ELSE. I'VE BEEN
19 LISTENING TO ALL OF THIS, WEEK AFTER WEEK, ABOUT HOW THE CELLS
20 ARE CROWDED, ABOUT HOW THE DORMITORIES ARE CROWDED AND THAT'S
21 THE REASON WHY WE SAY, WHY DON'T WE GET MORE DEPUTIES AND OPEN
22 UP SPACE TO ELIMINATE SOME OF THE OVERCROWDING? ANOTHER THING
23 THAT BOTHERS ME, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I JUST PUT IN OUR
24 DISCRETIONARY MONEY TO TRY TO TAKE SOME OF THESE PEOPLE OFF
25 THE STREET AND THE PEOPLE WE TOOK OFF THE STREET WERE, FOR THE



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1 MOST PART, PEOPLE WHO ARE ON PAROLE AND WHO WERE WALKING
2 AROUND WITH GUNS, WITH-- AND WE PICKED UP A HUNDRED AND WHAT,
3 150 OF THE GUNS? NOW, DID WE DO ALL OF THAT FOR THEM TO STAY
4 IN JAIL FOR 60 DAYS AND THEN THEIR PAROLE IS GOING TO BE--
5 THEY'RE GOING TO BE RELEASED AGAIN?

6

7 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, WITH EVERY ARREST THERE'S
8 NEW CHARGES AND SO THAT'S PART OF THE RETRIAL PROCESS.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I HOPE SO. BUT WE WERE TOLD WHAT YOU WERE
11 PICKING UP WERE PEOPLE WHO WERE PAROLE VIOLATORS, WHO WERE
12 INVOLVED IN THIS GANG ACTIVITY, WHO HAD THESE GUNS AND WHO
13 WERE THE PEOPLE WHO WERE OUT THERE SHOOTING PEOPLE ON THE
14 STREET, MANY INNOCENT PEOPLE.

15

16 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. THE STATE CONTRACT IS SPECIFIC TO
17 PAROLE VIOLATIONS THAT PAROLE OFFICERS CAUSE BECAUSE THE
18 INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT COMPLYING WITH CONDITIONS OF PAROLE. BUT
19 NEW CHARGES ARE OUR RESPONSIBILITY.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH, BUT I REALLY AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT WHETHER
22 OR NOT WHAT WE'RE DOING IS JUST PUTTING THESE PEOPLE BACK ON
23 THE STREET IF WHAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING WAS TO REALLY
24 MAKE SURE THAT THEY GO BACK TO STATE PRISON. NOW, I WANT TO
25 REALLY-- I DON'T MIND US LOOKING AT THE ISSUE, REVIEWING THE



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1 NUMBERS, REVIEWING THE ALLOCATIONS BUT EVERYTHING WE'VE BEEN
2 HEARING IS THAT IT'S AN OVERCROWDED SITUATION WITH PEOPLE WHO
3 ARE VERY VIOLENT AND WHO ARE 8S AND 9S THAT ARE OFTEN BEING
4 PLACED IN-- THREE TO A CELL INSTEAD OF TWO TO A CELL. ALL OF
5 THIS NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED AND WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE
6 INFORMATION BETTER. NOW, I UNDERSTAND EVERYBODY IS TRYING TO
7 SAVE MONEY AND NO ONE WANTS TO GIVE UP THE STATE CONTRACT
8 ORIGINALLY 24 MILLION, TODAY, 27 MILLION, WHATEVER IT IS,
9 BECAUSE WE FEEL WE NEED THE MONEY. BUT YOU ALSO ARE TALKING
10 ABOUT THE FACT THAT YOU DON'T HAVE ENOUGH DEPUTIES TO BE ABLE
11 TO ACTUALLY MONITOR THE NUMBER OF INMATES YOU HAVE THERE, THAT
12 WE'RE 50% BELOW OTHER STATES AND SOMETIMES WE'RE A THIRD OF
13 WHAT THE OTHER STATES HAVE IN TERMS OF THE DEPUTIES PER
14 INMATE. SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DECIDE WHERE WE'RE GOING. DO
15 WE WANT TO MEET THOSE NUMBERS WHERE IT WOULD BE SUCH THAT,
16 WHEN THERE'S THIS AUDIT, THEY'RE GOING TO SAY WE HAVE ENOUGH
17 DEPUTIES TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN CUSTODY WITH SAFETY.

18

19 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT ON TARGET, SUPERVISOR.
20 I THINK OUR BOARD MOTION OF AWHILE BACK THAT ASKED US TO COME
21 BACK IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS, I THINK IT'S MARCH THE 13TH-- 14TH,
22 WILL GIVE YOU MANY OF THE ANSWERS YOU POSE. I THINK WE'RE ALL
23 CONCERNED. YOU KNOW, I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT ON BEING CONCERNED.
24 THIS IS NOT A SYSTEM THAT'S BASED ON WHAT YOU WOULD CALL EASY
25 FIXES AND MAGIC SOLUTIONS. THIS IS A CONSTANT THING THAT



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1 REQUIRES WHAT WE'RE DOING TODAY AND I REALLY THANK YOU FOR
2 YOUR CONCERN BUT I CAN REST ASSURED TO YOU THAT WHERE I SIT ON
3 THIS IS FULL CONCERN ALL THE TIME, SEVEN DAYS, 24 HOURS A DAY
4 AND I THINK THAT YOUR SUGGESTIONS AND IDEAS ARE VERY IMPORTANT
5 TO WHAT I HAVE TO DO.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, ALL I WANT TO SEE IS SOMETHING CONSISTENCY.

8

9 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THAT IS A GREAT IDEA!

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** WE ARE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE BEING RELEASED
12 NOW STAYING IF WE HAVE THE CONTRACT...

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NO, ZEV DOESN'T BELIEVE IT. THAT'S WHAT
15 HE SAID. THAT'S WHAT I ASKED HIM, I ASKED HIM. IF I ASK A
16 QUESTION AND HE RESPONDS, IT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S MY ANSWER, IT'S
17 HIS ANSWER. THAT'S WHY I ASKED IT AND I THOUGHT EVERYBODY
18 OUGHT TO KNOW IT BECAUSE THAT'S AN OBVIOUS QUESTION THAT CAME
19 TO ME, WHAT HAPPENS TO THE SLOTS THAT ARE VACATED BECAUSE OF
20 THE CONTRACT CANCELLATION? DO THEY REMAIN VACANT OR DO YOU
21 BACKFILL THEM? HE SAID THEY'RE GOING TO BACKFILL MOST, IF NOT
22 ALL, OF THEM.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** AND YOU MAINTAIN THE SAME CROWDED SITUATION THAT
25 YOU HAVE NOW.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S NOT MY POLICY, IT'S HIS POLICY. I'M NOT
3 ASKING HIM TO DO IT.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, BUT WHAT I'M SAYING IS, IF THAT'S WHAT
6 YOU'RE, YOU'RE THEN SAYING WE'RE GOING TO KEEP THE CROWDED
7 SITUATION THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT SAYING THAT. HE'S SAYING THAT.

10

11 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I'M SAYING IT. SUPERVISOR, LET ME OFFER YOU
12 MORE INSIGHT...

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** I KNOW, YOU ASKED THE QUESTION. YOU WERE GOING
15 SOMEWHERE WITH THE QUESTION.

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** I WOULD LOVE FOR YOU TO COME VISIT WHAT WE
18 DO.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY I ASKED THE QUESTION.

21

22 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IT WOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL TO THE QUESTION
23 IF YOU WOULD COME AND VISIT AND DO THE ORIENTATION BECAUSE...

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** I WILL DO THAT.



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** ...AS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS BEEN THERE,
3 AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS BEEN THERE, UNDOUBTEDLY, IT'S A
4 PROBLEM THAT CONTINUALLY NEEDS TO IMPROVE. AND I'M WANTING TO
5 MAINTAIN AS MUCH CLARITY ON WHAT IS A VERY, VERY INTERESTING
6 SOCIOLOGICAL PROBLEM. WE HAVE THE WORST OF THE WORST COMING
7 INTO OUR HANDS.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT HAVING 1,200 LESS OF THE STATE
12 WORST...

13

14 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IS A BETTER DEAL.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ...WILL ALLOW YOU TO HAVE A BETTER
17 OPPORTUNITY TO MANAGE THOSE THAT YOU HAVE WITH AN ADDITIONAL
18 HUNDRED PLUS DEPUTIES.

19

20 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** EXACTLY. AND SO, WHEN YOU COME OVER AND
21 VISIT AND TALK TO SOME OF THE INMATES AND I KNOW YOU'VE TALKED
22 A LOT ON THE LEVEL OF BEING INVOLVED IN THIS AND YOU'VE BEEN
23 WONDERFUL IN HELPING US, IT'S INTERESTING THAT THIS COUNTY, IN
24 TERMS OF WHAT WE EXPERIENCE AS DISASTERS, IS ABLE TO MANAGE
25 EARTHQUAKES, FIRES AND FLOODS AT A VERY, VERY HIGHLY



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1 PROFESSIONAL RATE, BUT WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT MURDERERS, DRUG
2 DEALERS, PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR WAY IN LIFE, THEY WILL
3 FIND THEIR OWN METHODS FOR EVERYTHING THAT WE DO TO COUNTER
4 WHAT THOSE METHODS ARE AND THEY WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE US ONE
5 OF THE LARGEST PROBLEMS THAT AMERICA CAN FACE HERE IN THIS
6 GREAT CITY AND COUNTY THAT IS BIGGER THAN 42 STATES IN THE
7 UNITED STATES. IT'S A MIRACLE THAT THIS COUNTY, WITH WHAT
8 WE'VE BEEN DEALING WITH SINCE WE'VE BEEN WORKING TOGETHER FOR
9 ALL THESE YEARS AND MY PREDECESSORS, IT'S AMAZING WHAT WE ARE
10 ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH, INCLUDING THESE FIGHTS THAT WE'VE HAD
11 RECENTLY AND THESE TWO TRAGIC DEATHS, THAT IT ISN'T MORE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT.

14

15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** AND THE CONCURRENT SIDE OF THIS IS THAT WE
16 SAVE LIVES BY PUTTING THESE PEOPLE IN OUR HANDS BECAUSE THEY'D
17 BE KILLING INNOCENT PEOPLE ON THE STREET, THEY'D BE KILLING
18 PEOPLE THAT HAVE CHILDREN, THEY'D BE SHOOTING UP MORE HOUSES
19 AND THE LIKE. THUS, THAT'S ANOTHER CONVERSATION FOR ANOTHER
20 TIME AS TO WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH THE GANG PROBLEM IN
21 THIS COUNTY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT HAVING YOUR PERSONNEL ON THE
24 FIELD, IN COMBAT, MAKING KEY DECISIONS...

25



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1 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IS MY PRIORITY.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ...IS CRUCIAL THAN HAVING TO HAVE
4 DELAYS IN GETTING INFORMATION TO MOVE FORWARD TO STOP A
5 DANGEROUS SITUATION. SO GIVING, YOU KNOW, YOUR FIELD
6 COMMANDERS THAT AUTHORITY IS CRUCIAL IN MAKING TIMELY
7 DECISIONS.

8

9 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. INDEED.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE THREE MEMBERS WHO-- FROM THE
12 PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP.

13

14 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS. I'LL SEE
15 YOU IN CLOSED SESSION. I KNOW IT WILL BE AWHILE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DR. JUSTIN JONES, ROBERTO CARBAJAL AND
18 NAJEE ALI AND YVONNE AUTRY. TWO MINUTES EACH, PLEASE. WHEN YOU
19 SPEAK, GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. WELCOME. YES, DOCTOR.

20

21 **DON JUSTIN JONES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DON JUSTIN JONES.
22 I'M SURE IT'S FAIRLY APPARENT HERE THAT THERE'S AN EMERGENCY
23 THAT EXISTS IN THE JAIL HOUSING TODAY AND I WOULD LIKE TO TALK
24 ABOUT THE IMPACT ON THE WOMEN INMATES AND THEIR SUFFERING
25 BECAUSE OF THE ISSUE THAT THEY DID NOT CREATE. SOME OF YOU MAY



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1 REMEMBER THAT I'VE APPEARED BEFORE YOU IN THE PAST AND,
2 BECAUSE OF MY EFFORTS, WE'VE ACTUALLY HAD NUMBERS GENERATED BY
3 THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS TO WHAT
4 THE COSTS MIGHT BE FOR REOPENING SYBIL BRAND. SO IT WAS VERY
5 HEARTENING FOR ME TO HEAR THE SHERIFF ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF
6 SYBIL BRAND AND THE POTENTIAL FOR ITS REOPENING.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU WERE RIGHT.

9

10 **DON JUSTIN JONES:** IT'S IRONIC, ISN'T IT, THEN, THAT FEBRUARY
11 18TH WAS SYBIL BRAND'S BIRTHDAY THREE DAYS AGO AND SO THIS IS
12 SOMEWHAT A BELATED BIRTHDAY PRESENT TO HER. WHAT I WOULD LIKE
13 TO SEE IS THAT THE COUNTY DECLARE AN EMERGENCY IN THE
14 INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF WOMEN AND TO PUT THE FULL POWER OF THE
15 COUNTY INTO OPENING UP S.B.I. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AS THE
16 SHERIFF COMMENTED, WE SEEM TO BE ABLE TO DEAL WITH
17 EARTHQUAKES, WE'RE ABLE TO OPEN FREEWAYS UP IN 90 DAYS, WE'RE
18 ABLE TO GET TRAFFIC MOVING BUT, FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS, WOMEN
19 HAVE BEEN HOUSED IN A MALE-BUILT FACILITY. SO I WOULD LIKE TO
20 SEE AN EMERGENCY DECLARED, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE FULL POWER
21 OF THE COUNTY PUT INTO THE RE-OPENING OF S.B.I. I'D LIKE TO
22 SEE THE CONTINUING EFFORT TO MOVE THE MEN TO THE TWIN TOWERS,
23 A HARDENED SITE, AND TO USE CENTURY, ANOTHER HARDENED SITE FOR
24 PREDOMINANTLY MALE PARTICIPATION AND I WOULD LIKE TO ONCE
25 AGAIN REITERATE THAT WE NEED TO REMEMBER AND CHERISH THE



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1 MEMORY OF SYBIL BRAND BECAUSE CIVILIZATION IS JUDGED BY THE
2 QUALITY OF MERCY IT SHOWS OVER WHOM THEY HAVE ABSOLUTE POWER.
3 THERE COULD BE NO GREATER TEST OF OUR CIVILIZATION THAN HOW WE
4 TREAT THE WOMEN IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. JONES. WHOEVER.

7

8 **NAJEE ALI:** MY NAME IS NAJEE ALI, DIRECTOR OF PROJECT ISLAMIC
9 HOPE, A CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATION. MR. ANTONOVICH, BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS, I'M SIMPLY HERE TO GIVE COMMENTS ON SHERIFF
11 BACA'S TESTIMONY AND I RESPECT SHERIFF BACA AND EVERYTHING
12 THAT HE SAID BUT CERTAINLY, AS A CIVIL RIGHTS ACTIVIST, I'M
13 STILL VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE LEVEL OF VIOLENCE AND, MORE
14 IMPORTANTLY, THE POLICIES, MANAGEMENT AND PROCEDURES THAT ARE
15 STILL CURRENTLY EXISTING WITHIN THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM.
16 AS I HEARD TESTIMONY AND THE AMOUNT OF CRITICISM CONCERNING
17 GANGS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, GANG VIOLENCE IS NOTHING NEW. GANGS
18 ARE NOTHING NEW. GROWING UP AS A CHILD, I'VE WATCHED GANGS
19 TAKE OVER THE CITY AND THE COUNTY, L.A. IS KNOWN AS THE GANG
20 CAPITAL OF THE WORLD. SO CERTAINLY GANG VIOLENCE IS STILL A
21 PROBLEM WITHIN THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM BUT THAT SHOULD NOT
22 BE ALLOWED TO DEFLECT FROM THE POLICIES AND THE PROCEDURES
23 THAT ARE CURRENTLY EXISTING IN THE JAIL SYSTEM. SO, AS SHERIFF
24 BACA MADE COMMENTS THAT HE'S OPEN TO IDEAS AND OPINIONS TO FIX
25 THE SITUATION, CERTAINLY, I HAVE THE UTMOST RESPECT FOR



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1 SHERIFF BACA, I CONSIDER HIM A INNOVATIVE SHERIFF AND I
2 SUPPORT HIS LEADERSHIP BUT CERTAINLY WE FEEL THAT IF THE
3 SYSTEM CANNOT BE FIXED, THEN CERTAINLY WE'RE IN A POSITION TO
4 CONTACT OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS SUCH AS REVEREND JESSE
5 JACKSON, AL SHARPTON AND MANY OTHER GROUPS WHO, I'M CERTAIN,
6 WOULD BE OPEN TO CALLING IN THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO COME IN
7 TO FIX THIS SYSTEM. AND, WITH THAT BEING SAID, FAMILY MEMBERS
8 HAVE CONTACTED ME AND ARE OUTRAGED BY THE TREATMENT THAT THEIR
9 FAMILY MEMBERS RECEIVE BY BEING FORCED TO STRIP. THE REMOVAL
10 OF THESE INMATES' CLOTHES WE FEEL WAS WRONG AND CERTAINLY THAT
11 TREATMENT IS REMINISCENT OF TREATMENT IN ABU GHRAIB PRISON IN
12 THE MIDDLE EAST. SO CERTAINLY WE FEEL THAT TREATMENT IS
13 DEMEANING, DEMORALIZING AND INHUMANE AND WE ARE ASKING THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONTINUE TO CLOSELY MONITOR THE
15 SITUATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** MY NAME IS ROBERTO CARBAJAL. I'VE BEEN HERE
20 BEFORE SPEAKING TO YOU ABOUT THE VIOLENCE THAT I SUFFERED AT
21 THE COUNTY JAIL, THE MEN'S COUNTY JAIL, WHERE I WAS CUT UP
22 WITH A RAZOR BLADE AND SUBJECTED TO A PROCESS CALLED GASSING.
23 I CONTACTED LIEUTENANT OLSEN BY EMAIL AND BY PHONE SEVERAL
24 TIMES. I BLEW UP HIS EMAIL. HE NEVER CALLED ME BACK. I
25 CONTACTED A.C.L.U. NOBODY EVER GOT BACK TO ME ON IT. I CAME



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1 HERE, I SPOKE TO YOU ON IT. IT'S BEEN THREE YEARS. NOTHING'S
2 EVER HAPPENED I WAS JUST WONDERING IF YOU COULD FIND OUT HOW
3 MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN PROSECUTED FOR ACTS OF VIOLENCE IN THE
4 JAIL, WHAT EXACTLY IS THE PROCESS THAT IT GOES THROUGH AND IF
5 THERE'S A FOLLOW-UP. I WAS GOING TO SUGGEST THAT YOU HAVE
6 SOMETHING LIKE A NEIGHBORHOOD PROSECUTOR FOR THE JAIL,
7 SPECIFICALLY FOR EACH PARTICULAR JAIL, A PERSON THAT WOULD BE,
8 YOU KNOW, BILINGUAL, BICULTURAL, WOULD UNDERSTAND THE
9 DIFFERENT RACES AND GO INTO JAIL AND BE ABLE TO BE CONTACTED
10 THROUGH THE A.C.L.U. BECAUSE YOU CAN CALL THE A.C.L.U. THERE
11 COLLECT AND THEY COULD ASK THAT THIS NEIGHBORHOOD PROSECUTOR,
12 YOU KNOW, ADDRESS A CERTAIN PROBLEM THEY MIGHT BE HAVING. AS
13 FAR AS HIM-- EXCUSE ME, SHERIFF BACA SAYING THAT THEY HAD NO
14 INKLING OR THEY DIDN'T KNOW THIS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN, THERE IS
15 WHAT'S CALLED NUMBER ONES THERE. THERE'S FOUR OF THEM. THERE'S
16 WHITE, BLACK, PIESES, AND SOUTHSIDERS. AND THESE PEOPLE KNOW
17 EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS THERE AND THEY KNOW WHO THE PIESES ARE
18 AND THE SOUTHSIDERS AND NUMBER ONE IS SO IT'S REALLY EASY TO
19 GET THESE PEOPLE TOGETHER AND DEBRIEF THEM, ASK THEM WHAT'S
20 GOING ON, IS THERE ANY TENSION OR WHATEVER. I WAS ALSO GOING
21 TO SUGGEST THAT THERE COULD BE, LIKE, A RACE RELATIONS,
22 MANDATORY RACE RELATIONS FOR THE NUMBER PIESES AND 1S OF EACH
23 GROUP AND, BASICALLY, YOU KNOW, COME TOGETHER AND UNDERSTAND
24 EXACTLY WHAT THE ISSUES ARE, HOW TO GET ALONG.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THERE'S A CONTRACT THAT'S STILL ON THE
2 AGENDA FOR TODAY'S ACTION TO BEGIN A NEW CONTRACT WHICH HAD
3 BEEN DELAYED FOR THE PAST YEAR TO DO THAT OUT AT PITCHES.

4

5 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** OKAY. AND ALSO, YOU SPOKE ABOUT MOVING
6 PEOPLE TO THE TWIN TOWERS. I'VE BEEN AT BOTH AND THE TWIN
7 TOWERS IS BASICALLY LIKE THE BEVERLY HILLS, THEY CALL IT THE
8 BEVERLY HILLS, SO YOU'RE GOING TO BE REWARDING HIGHER LEVEL
9 FELONS BY PUTTING THEM THERE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO, THE PITCHES IS THE BEVERLY HILLS.
12 THAT'S THE RESORT AREA.

13

14 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** WELL, TWIN TOWERS IS CLEAN. I MEAN, IT'S
15 NOTHING LIKE...

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY BUT TWIN TOWERS WAS BUILT
18 ESPECIALLY FOR THE HIGH PROFILE CRIMINAL TYPE HIGH FELON
19 BECAUSE OF THE HIGH SECURITY AND THE TECHNOLOGY TO HAVE BETTER
20 SUPERVISION. THAT'S WHY MOVING THE WOMEN WHO ARE LOWER
21 MISDEMEANORS, LOWER FELONIES TO LYNWOOD IS MORE APPROPRIATE
22 AND USING TWIN TOWERS FOR WHAT IT WAS BUILT FOR.

23

24 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** WELL, YOU KNOW, THERE'S NO RACIAL PROBLEMS
25 AT THE TWIN TOWERS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT.

3

4 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** PEOPLE ARE HAPPY TO BE THERE. I THINK, YOU
5 KNOW, INSTEAD OF JUST ASKING PEOPLE IF THEY'RE HOMOSEXUAL OR
6 IF THEY'RE GANG MEMBERS, YOU COULD ASK THEM IF THEY'RE
7 RACISTS, IF THEY'RE GOING TO, YOU KNOW, CONDUCT RACIST
8 ACTIVITIES AND THEN PUT THEM IN A SPECIALIZED AREA.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU SHOULD SEPARATE GANG FROM NON-
11 RIVAL GANG.

12

13 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** YEAH, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE I'M NOT RACIST, I
14 GET ALONG WITH EVERYBODY AND YOU'RE FORCED TO BE RACIST IN
15 THERE AND YOU SHOULD BE HAVING A AREA WHERE SOMEBODY LIKE ME
16 CAN GO AND NOT HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **ROBERTO CARBAJAL:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MISS AUTRY.

23

24 **YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AS YOU KNOW, MY NAME IS
25 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY AND I GREW UP IN LOS ANGELES, I WAS BORN



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1 IN ENGLEWOOD AND I DON'T KNOW IF I HEARD CORRECTLY THAT LOS
2 ANGELES IS THE GANG OR THE CRIME CAPITAL OF THE NATION, IF NOT
3 THE WORLD. I THINK WE HAVE TO ASK WHY. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE
4 PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD HERE AND I'M SENSITIVE TO THE
5 SITUATION THAT THE POLICE OFFICERS FACE AND I APPRECIATE CHIEF
6 BACA'S RESPONSIBILITY AS WELL AS YOURS. I THINK WE HAVE TO ASK
7 WHY, WHY ARE THERE SO MANY YOUNG INMATES IN JAIL ON THEIR WAY
8 TO PRISON, POSSIBLY AND WHAT CAN WE DO TO STOP IT. I HOPE THAT
9 WE CAN ENCOURAGE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE BLACK PEOPLE AND
10 LATIN PEOPLE. I SPEAK, READ AND WRITE SPANISH. I HOPE THAT
11 LATIN PEOPLE WILL RESPECT BLACK PEOPLE AND BLACK PEOPLE WILL
12 RESPECT LATIN PEOPLE BUT, ABOVE AND BEYOND THAT, I STILL WOULD
13 LIKE TO KNOW JUST WHAT'S HAPPENING KIND OF BENEATH, YOU KNOW,
14 THIS WHOLE SITUATION OF VIOLENCE IN THE JAILS, YOU KNOW, THE
15 RIOTING IN THE HIGH SCHOOLS BETWEEN BLACK AND LATIN AND HOW IT
16 CAN BE STOPPED. THERE WAS AN ITEM 55 THAT TALKED ABOUT THE
17 FREQUENCIES. YOU KNOW, I KNOW THIS MIGHT SOUND OUTLANDISH.
18 OUTSIDE FROM COMMUNICATING DIRECTLY TO EACH OTHER, YOU KNOW,
19 PEOPLE CAN BE INFLUENCED BY FREQUENCIES. AND I JUST HOPE THAT
20 THE POLICE OFFICERS, YOU KNOW, IN THE JAILS, I WOULD THINK
21 THAT POLICE OFFICERS COULD INTERVENE IN ANY TYPE OF CRIMINAL
22 UPRISING. IT JUST SEEMS TO ME FOR THREE HOURS THAT INMATES
23 WERE RIOTING AND KILLING? I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THAT
24 COULD HAPPEN. AND WHEN THE INMATES ARE SUPPOSED TO BE UNARMED?
25 EITHER THE SECURITY GUARDS OR THE POLICE OFFICERS ALLOWED IT,



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1 WHICH HAS HAPPENED BECAUSE I'VE HEARD FROM SOME OF MY FRIENDS
2 IN JAIL THAT SAY THAT THE POLICE OFFICERS ALLOWED THE BLACK,
3 LATIN AND RIVAL GANGS TO RIOT TO SEE WHO IS GOING TO KILL THE
4 OTHER, WHO IS GOING TO DOMINATE AND I THINK WE NEED TO BRING
5 THAT OUT AND STOP IT AND STOP ANY EXPERIMENTS, BECAUSE I KNOW
6 THAT SOMETIMES THE POLICE PROVOKE TO SEE, YOU KNOW, HOW THEY
7 CAN INCITE RIOTS, TO WHAT EXTENT, YOU KNOW, THEY'RE EFFECTIVE
8 IN CONTROLLING POPULATIONS' REACTIONS, SO I JUST WANTED TO
9 BRING THAT OUT AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN STOP THAT EXPERIMENTATION
10 AND THEN STOP ANY FUTURE UPRISINGS WHETHER IN THE PRISON OR IN
11 THE COMMUNITY.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A MOTION BY MOLINA
14 AND A SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND THE REQUEST
15 TO THE U.S. ATTORNEY TO EXPLORE THE RICO LAWS. SO MOVED,
16 SECONDED BY BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR
17 YAROSLAVSKY.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DON'T WE TAKE UP THE ISSUE ON THE DOG
20 BREEDING?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM 56?

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 65 AND 56. NO. IT'S 65.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 65?

2

3 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** CAN I READ THAT INTO THE RECORD?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MARSHA MAYEDA.

6

7 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THAT'S ITEM 65, HEARING ON PROPOSED
8 AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 10 ANIMALS TO ESTABLISH A
9 MANDATORY SPAY AND NEUTER PROGRAM FOR RESTRICTED DOGS, AMEND
10 THE DEFINITION OF HOBBY BREEDER, ADD DEFINITIONS FOR "PIT
11 BULL," "ROTTWEILER" AND "UNALTERED" AND TO ESTABLISH A FEE OF
12 \$150 PER YEAR FOR AN UNALTERED RESTRICTED DOG LICENSE. I NEED
13 TO REQUEST THAT ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD
14 PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [
15 ADMINISTERING OATH]

16

17 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BEFORE WE DO THIS, I
20 UNDERSTAND THAT CHIEF KLUGMAN IS HERE ON ITEM 56 AND THAT
21 SHOULD NOT TAKE AS MUCH TIME. YOU COULD STAY THERE, I WOULD
22 RECOMMEND WE TAKE THAT UP SO WE CAN AT LEAST...

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ITEM 56.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S THE AMER-I-CAN ISSUE. OKAY. SHERIFF
2 BACA.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO YOU WANT TO COME DOWN HERE? CALL
5 SHERIFF BACA, PLEASE. MARC, YOU'RE GOING TO HANDLE IT? OKAY.
6 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THIS IS A FIVE-
9 YEAR CONTRACT-- A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH FOUR ONE-YEAR
10 EXTENSIONS, IS THAT CORRECT?

11

12 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THAT'S CORRECT, SIR.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MUCH PER YEAR?

15

16 **MARC KLUGMAN:** 300,000. TOTAL OF 1.5.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND, IN THE INTERESTS OF TIME, I DON'T NEED
19 TO GO THROUGH THE ENTIRE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S AUDIT THAT WAS
20 DONE ON THIS CONTRACT PREVIOUSLY BUT IT WAS, TO SAY THE LEAST,
21 UNSATISFACTORY. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE HAS CHANGED WITH THIS
22 ORGANIZATION THAT MAKES YOU BELIEVE THAT THEY CAN OVERCOME THE
23 PROBLEMS OR THE ADEQUACIES THAT REPRESENTED THE PREVIOUS
24 CONTRACT?

25



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1 **MARC KLUGMAN:** WELL, ACTUALLY, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE AUDIT, THE
2 PROBLEMS WERE SHARED. THERE'S ENOUGH BLAME TO GO AROUND. THE
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DIDN'T MANAGE THE CONTRACT AS WELL AS WE
4 SHOULD HAVE, EITHER. IN THE NEW CONTRACT, ALL THE QUALITY
5 CONTROLS, ALL THE MANAGEMENT ISSUES, QUALITY ASSURANCE ISSUES
6 ARE BUILT IN SO THAT WE WILL BE MANAGING THIS CONTRACT
7 DIRECTLY HANDS-ON. MY STAFF WILL BE HANDLING SIGNING OFF ON
8 ALL THE PAYMENTS TO AMER-I-CAN AND THEY WILL, BEFORE THEY SIGN
9 OFF ON ANY CHECK, ENSURE THAT SERVICES HAVE BEEN DELIVERED AS
10 STATED IN THE STATEMENT OF WORK.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE AUDITOR-
13 CONTROLLER HIS LETTER OF JULY 25TH THAT SAYS, HOWEVER-- WELL,
14 AMER-I-CAN DID NOT RESPOND TO THE REPORT IN WRITING BASED ON
15 CONRAD'S DISCUSSIONS WITH AMER-I-CAN MANAGEMENT, AMER-I-CAN
16 DISAGREED WITH MANY OF THE FINDINGS; HOWEVER, AMER-I-CAN COULD
17 NOT PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION TO SUPPORT THEIR POSITIONS. THE
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DID ATTEMPT TO MONITOR AND GAIN
19 COMPLIANCE FROM AMER-I-CAN ON VARIOUS CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS
20 THROUGHOUT THE AUDIT PERIOD. HOWEVER, COMPLETE AMER-I-CAN
21 COMPLIANCE WAS NEVER OBTAINED, AS EVIDENCED BY THE NUMBER OF
22 AMER-I-CAN COMPLIANCE FINDINGS INCLUDED IN THE FINDINGS AND
23 RECOMMENDATIONS SECTIONS OF THIS REPORT. I'M READING NOW FROM
24 THE AUDITOR'S REPORT. FURTHERMORE, EVEN IN THE ABSENCE OF AN
25 ESTABLISHED VENDOR MARKET, SHOULD THE COUNTY PREPARE A REQUEST



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1 FOR A PROPOSAL OUTLINING THE SERVICES REQUIRED AND OUTCOMES
2 DESIRED, WE BELIEVE THAT VENDORS IN THE BUSINESS OF PROVIDING
3 TRAINING WILL DEVELOP PROGRAMS TO MEET THE COUNTY'S NEEDS.
4 FURTHER MORE, THE FIXED FEE-- FORGET THAT. BASED UPON THE
5 RESULTS OF THIS STUDY, NO CONCLUSION CAN BE DRAWN AS TO
6 WHETHER THE AMER-I-CAN PROGRAM AIDS IN THE REDUCTION OF
7 RACIALLY AND/OR ETHNICALLY MOTIVATED JAIL DISTURBANCES. IT IS
8 ALSO DIFFICULT TO PRECISELY DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROGRAM IS
9 EFFECTIVE. THIS IS DUE TO THE NUMEROUS INSTANCES OF AMER-I-CAN
10 NOT COMPLYING WITH THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT. IT MAY BE
11 BENEFICIAL FOR THE COUNTY TO COMPETITIVELY BID THE CONTRACT
12 UPON EXPIRATION TO TEST THE MARKETPLACE TO ENSURE IT IS
13 RECEIVING THE MOST SERVICES FOR A FAIR PRICE. THIS IS NOT A
14 COMPETITIVE, IS IT? IT'S SOLE SOURCE?

15

16 **MARC KLUGMAN:** IT'S A SOLE SOURCE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOW, ALL OF THESE OTHER THINGS-- WELL, I
19 THINK IT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. I'M NOT GOING TO SUPPORT THIS. I
20 DO BELIEVE, HOWEVER, AND I'M GOING TO MAKE A MOTION RIGHT NOW,
21 AS AN AMENDMENT TO THIS, THAT ANY EXTENSION BEYOND THE ONE
22 YEAR BE SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THIS BOARD, THAT IT NOT BE
23 AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SHERIFF, THAT THE ONE-YEAR
24 EXTENSIONS, THE FOUR ONE-YEAR EXTENSIONS. SO IF THIS IS
25 APPROVED AND IF THE BOARD AGREES WITH THIS AMENDMENT, THAT THE



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1 EXTENSION OF IT AFTER YEAR ONE WOULD BE SUBJECT TO THE BOARD'S
2 APPROVAL AND I WOULD ALSO ASK AS A SECOND COMPONENT, THIS IS
3 ALL VERBAL, THAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BE ASKED TO MONITOR
4 THIS CONTRACT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SHERIFF DURING THE FIRST
5 YEAR AND GIVE US A REPORT PRIOR TO A DECISION MAKING ON AN
6 EXTENSION.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WOULD SAY THE AUDITOR FOUND THAT
9 THERE WAS A 40% DECREASE IN JAIL DISTURBANCES AFTER AMER-I-CAN
10 BEGAN WORKING IN THE JAILS AND THE QUOTE FROM THE AUDITOR
11 INDICATED, "WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE PROGRAM DOES HAVE A
12 POSITIVE EFFECT ON THOSE INDIVIDUALS TAKING A COURSE." THAT
13 WAS YOUR EXPERIENCE?

14

15 **MARC KLUGMAN:** THAT IS THE CASE. WE THINK THAT THIS IS ANOTHER
16 TOOL THAT WE CAN USE EFFECTIVELY TO MITIGATE THE VIOLENCE IN
17 THE JAILS. THEY WORK DIRECTLY ON THOSE KINDS OF ISSUES, LIFE
18 SKILLS, THEY TALK ABOUT THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT APPEAL TO THE
19 INMATES, THEIR SENSITIVITIES, AND THEY HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN
20 THE PAST. MR. YAROSLAVSKY, IN RESPONSE TO SOME OF THE THINGS
21 THAT YOU BROUGHT-- MENTIONED, WE WOULD BE VERY COMFORTABLE
22 WITH YOUR MOTION AND WOULD WELCOME THE OVERSIGHT OF THE
23 AUDITOR'S OFFICE. THE CONTRACT ITSELF IS VERY, VERY SPECIFIC
24 THIS TIME AS OPPOSED TO THE WAY IT WAS DRAWN LAST TIME,
25 SPECIFICALLY BECAUSE OF THE ISSUES THAT CAME OUT IN THE



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1 AUDITOR'S REPORT AND I HAVE SAT PERSONALLY WITH MANAGEMENT
2 FROM AMER-I-CAN, GONE THROUGH THE CONTRACT WITH THEM,
3 DISCUSSED THESE ISSUES, AND THEY HAVE CONCURRED AND AGREED
4 THAT THEY WOULD ABIDE BY THEM ALL. SO I SUSPECT, AT THIS TIME,
5 WITH OUR DIRECT INTERVENTION AND MANAGEMENT SUPERVISION OVER
6 THE BUSINESS SIDE OF THIS, THAT WE'LL DO A MUCH BETTER JOB.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION AS AMENDED BY
9 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** RECORD ME AS A NO VOTE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. OKAY, MARSHA...

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** RECORD YOU AS A NO VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT?

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, NOT ON MY AMENDMENT. THE AMENDMENT WAS
18 ACCEPTED. RECORD ME AS A NO VOTE ON THE MOTION AS AMENDED.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL, I HAD INCLUDED THE AMENDMENT IN
21 THE MOTION BUT IF YOU WANT TO HAVE A SEPARATE AMENDMENT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL...

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I DID ONE VOTE AS...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT. WELL, THEN WHAT I WOULD ASK IS
3 THAT YOU JUST APPROVE THE AMENDMENT...

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE AND I'LL SECOND THE
6 MOTION AS AMENDED WITH SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY VOTING NO. SO
7 ORDERED. OKAY, MARSHA. ON THE PROPOSAL THAT YOU HAVE BEFORE
8 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CURRENTLY, IT TALKS ABOUT IDENTIFIED
9 RESTRICTED BREEDS, THERE ARE NO CURRENT REGULATIONS IN EFFECT
10 AND YOUR PROPOSAL IS JUST RESTRICTED TO TWO TYPES OF ANIMALS
11 OR TO ALL BREEDS?

12

13 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** IF I MAY, I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS FIRST THE
14 ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU AND ALSO SOME ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS
15 WE HAVE...

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WHY DON'T YOU DO THAT....GOING
18 FORWARD.

19

20 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THANK YOU. ON JANUARY 31ST, YOUR BOARD
21 INSTRUCTED ME TO WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE AN
22 ORDINANCE TO REGULATE SPECIFIC BREEDS OF DOGS THROUGH A
23 SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM AND TO ADDRESS OTHER BREEDING RESTRICTIONS
24 WITH STRICT PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE. IN FOLLOWING YOUR
25 BOARD'S DIRECTION TO CREATE BREED A SPECIFIC SPAY/NEUTER



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1 ORDINANCE, MY DEPARTMENT REVIEWED OUR STATISTICS REGARDING THE
2 MOST COMMON DOG BREEDS IN OUR SHELTERS AND EACH BREED'S IMPACT
3 ON HOUSING AND EUTHANASIA. THE TWO BREEDS THAT WE FELT WERE
4 BEST SUITED TO BE PROTECTED THROUGH MANDATORY SPAY/NEUTER ARE
5 PIT BULLS AND ROTTWEILERS. THE REASON THESE TWO BREEDS WERE
6 SELECTED ARE SEVERAL. FOR THE FIRST POINT, THEY THE SHELTERS
7 AND THEY HAVE AN EFFECT OF TAKING UP 43% OF OUR HOUSING, JUST
8 BY THESE TWO BREEDS. THESE BREEDS ARE LESS LIKELY TO BE
9 ADOPTED AND MORE LIKELY TO BE EUTHANIZED. AND ONE OF OUR MAIN
10 GOALS IS TO REDUCE EUTHANASIA OF ANIMALS IN OUR SHELTERS.
11 ASIDE FOR CHIHUAHUAS, THESE TWO BREEDS ARE THE LEAST LIKELY TO
12 BE SPAYED AND NEUTERED AND THESE TWO BREEDS AND THE MIXES
13 THEREOF ARE EASIEST FOR US TO IDENTIFY, COMPARED TO OTHER DOG
14 BREEDS AND MIXES THAT COME INTO OUR SHELTER. THE BASICS OF HOW
15 THIS ORDINANCE WOULD WORK WOULD BE THAT ANY OWNER OF A PIT
16 BULL OR ROTTWEILER WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE THAT DOG SPAYED
17 OR NEUTERED UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING EXEMPTIONS APPLY: THE
18 DOG IS LESS THAN FOUR MONTHS OF AGE; THERE'S A MEDICAL REASON
19 WHY THE SURGERY CANNOT BE PERFORMED; THE OWNER HAS HAD THE DOG
20 LESS THAN 30 DAYS; THE DETERMINATION OF THE DOG'S BREED IS
21 UNDER APPEAL; OR THE OWNER HAS PURCHASED AN UNALTERED DOG
22 LICENSE. IN ORDER TO PURCHASE AN UNALTERED DOG LICENSE, THE
23 OWNER WOULD HAVE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND PAY THE
24 LICENSING FEE. THEY WOULD HAVE TO ENSURE THAT THE DOG IS
25 MAINTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL



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1 LAWS; THE DEPARTMENT WILL INSPECT THE PREMISES TO MAKE SURE
2 THAT THEY'RE SUITABLE FOR HOUSING AND BREEDING ANIMALS, AND
3 THE DOG ITSELF MUST MEET CERTAIN STANDARDS. THE FIRST IS THAT
4 THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE PUREBRED AND REGISTERED WITH THE
5 APPROPRIATE REGISTRY, THAT THEY'VE PASSED CERTAIN HEALTH
6 SCREENS AND THAT THEY'VE PASSED THE TEMPERAMENT ASSESSMENT AND
7 THAT'S TO MAKE SURE THE DOG HAS THE APPROPRIATE PHYSICAL AND
8 TEMPERAMENT QUALITIES TO PASS ON TO FUTURE GENERATIONS. THIS
9 ORDINANCE HAS DUE PROCESS CLAUSES THAT GIVE THE OWNERS THE
10 ABILITY TO APPEAL SEVERAL STEPS IN THE PROCESS. THE FIRST IS
11 THE DETERMINATION OF THE DOG'S BREED. SECOND IS THE DENIAL OF
12 A LICENSE AND THE THIRD IS A REVOCATION OF A LICENSE. THIS
13 ORDINANCE WOULD ALSO REGULATE THE BREEDING, TRANSFER AND SALE
14 OF THESE BREEDS. IT WOULD PROHIBIT BREEDING THESE ANIMALS THAT
15 ARE LESS THAN TWO YEARS OF AGE. IT WOULD NOT ALLOW THEM TO
16 HAVE MORE THAN ONE LITTER PER YEAR AND NO MORE THAN FIVE
17 LITTERS PER THE DOG'S LIFETIME AND THE OWNER MUST INCLUDE THE
18 DOG'S LICENSE NUMBER WITH ANY OFFER OF SALE, TRADE OR ADOPTION
19 AND THEY MUST PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT THE NAMES OF WHO THEY
20 SELL THESE ANIMALS TO. ALSO, ALL THE DOGS COVERED BY THIS
21 ORDINANCE, ALL THE UNALTERED ANIMALS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO BE
22 MICROCHIPPED AND REGISTERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT. WE WOULD ALSO
23 REQUIRE THAT ANY ANIMALS IMPOUNDED BECAUSE THEY WERE STRAYS
24 COMPLY WITH THIS ORDINANCE PRIOR TO BEING RELEASED TO THE
25 OWNERS. THE LICENSE FEE WOULD BE \$150. THE FIRST VIOLATION OF



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1 ANY SECTION OF THIS ORDINANCE WOULD BE A FINE NOT TO EXCEED
2 \$250 AND IT MUST BE CORRECTED WITHIN 30 DAYS. A SECOND
3 VIOLATION WOULD OCCUR IF THERE WAS A SECOND INCIDENT WITHIN
4 ONE YEAR OF THE FIRST VIOLATION AND THEN THIS WOULD BE
5 PUNISHABLE AS A MISDEMEANOR, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE JAIL TIME,
6 POSSIBLY, UP TO SIX MONTHS OR A FINE UP TO \$1,000 OR BOTH AND
7 THAT WOULD BE UP TO THE JUDGE. SO THAT'S THE BACKBONE OF THE
8 BREED-SPECIFIC ORDINANCE THAT WAS REQUESTED BUT I WOULD LIKE
9 TO ADVISE THE BOARD THAT, IN PREPARING THIS ORDINANCE, WE'VE
10 HEARD FROM A NUMBER OF RESIDENTS AND HAVE HAD SOME MEETINGS
11 WITH INTERESTED PARTIES AND GATHERED SOME INPUT. THE MAJORITY
12 OF THE POINTS THAT WE HAVE GATHERED INDICATE THAT RESIDENTS
13 WOULD LIKE THIS TO BE EXTENDED TO ALL BREEDS, NOT JUST PIT
14 BULLS AND ROTTWEILERS. WE CONCUR THAT INCLUDING ALL DOGS WOULD
15 HAVE A GREATER IMPACT ON REDUCING EUTHANASIA IN ANIMAL
16 SHELTERS AND, IF THE BOARD WISHES TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO
17 EXPANDING THE ORDINANCE TO APPLY TO ALL DOG BREEDS, I WOULD
18 RESPECTFULLY RESPECT THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED SO WE CAN RE-
19 DRAFT IT SO THAT IT CAN APPLY TO ALL DOGS AND PRESENT IT BACK
20 TO YOUR BOARD AT THE PUBLIC HEARING IN APRIL. A NUMBER OF
21 OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN CALIFORNIA AND ACROSS THE NATION HAVE
22 SIMILAR ORDINANCES ALREADY AND COUNTY COUNSEL HAS ADVISED ME
23 THAT, IF THIS BOARD DECIDED TO DO THAT, THAT IT WOULD BE WELL
24 WITHIN THE POLICE POWER OF THE COUNTY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY
25 PURPOSES. ANOTHER ADVANTAGE TO EXPANDING THIS TO ALL DOG



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1 BREEDS IS THAT THERE WOULD BE NO STATE REPORTING REQUIREMENT
2 THAT WOULD CURRENTLY BE REQUIRED IF THIS WAS LIMITED TO
3 CERTAIN BREEDS. THE STATE-- PART OF THE STATE LAW THAT PASSED
4 AND BECAME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST REQUIRES THAT, IF CERTAIN
5 BREEDS ARE SINGLED OUT, THEN SPECIAL REPORTING AND TRACKING
6 REQUIREMENTS HAVE TO BE DONE ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO THE
7 STATE. IF THIS IS APPLIED UNILATERALLY TO ALL BREEDS, THERE'S
8 NO BREED-SPECIFIC NATURE OF THE ORDINANCE AND, THEREFORE, THIS
9 ADDITIONAL BURDEN OF REPORTING WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED. WE
10 BELIEVE THE CURRENT PROPOSED ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU IS WELL
11 DRAFTED AND IT CAN SERVE AS A SHELL TO BUILD ON FOR INCLUDING
12 OTHER BREEDS. IF THE BOARD WISHES TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO AN
13 EXPANDED ORDINANCE, AGAIN, I COULD HAVE THAT BACK TO YOU AT
14 THE APRIL PUBLIC HEARING.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK YOU THIS. WHAT IS THE
17 PENALTY FOR AN OWNER OF A DANGEROUS DOG WHO IS CONVICTED?

18

19 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** IT DEPENDS ON THE NUMBER OF-- IT DEPENDS ON THE
20 CHARGES THAT WERE FILED AND THE NUMBER OF CHARGES. IT CAN BE
21 PROSECUTED EITHER AS A MISDEMEANOR OR A FELONY, SO THEY CAN
22 SERVE TIME IN STATE PRISON OR COUNTY JAIL. IT'S CUSTOMARY,
23 WHEN THESE HAPPEN, THAT THE OWNERS HAVE SEVERAL THOUSANDS OF
24 DOLLARS WORTH OF FINES.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE HAVE THE-- THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
2 HAS THE ABILITY TODAY TO FILE A FELONY CHARGE FOR AN OWNER OF
3 A DANGEROUS DOG?

4

5 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** THEY DO IF THE OWNER HAS PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE
6 THAT THEIR ANIMAL COULD...

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT. NO, I'M TALKING ABOUT-- WE'RE
9 TALKING ABOUT THE HARD CORE INDIVIDUAL.

10

11 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** UH-HUH.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THE COUNTY JURISDICTION PERMITS A
14 PENALTY OF 12 MONTHS OR JUST-- UP TO 12 MONTHS?

15

16 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** UP TO SIX MONTHS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RAY, IT'S UP TO SIX MONTHS OR CAN WE
19 DO UP TO 12 MONTHS?

20

21 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** MR. MAYOR, I BELIEVE THAT THE MAXIMUM
22 MISDEMEANOR PENALTY IS A THOUSAND DOLLARS OR A YEAR IN JAIL OR
23 BOTH.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BUT THE COUNTY'S PENALTY IS SIX
2 MONTHS, SO WE COULD LENGTHEN THE COUNTY'S TO 12 MONTHS.

3

4 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WAS SIX MONTHS
5 UNLESS THE STATE LAW CHANGES TO PARTICULARLY REFLECT THIS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S WHERE I SAW THE DIFFERENCE.
8 THAT'S BECAUSE THERE'S A SIX-MONTH BUT I UNDERSTAND YOU COULD
9 GO UP TO 12 MONTHS. PERHAPS YOU COULD EXPLORE THAT.

10

11 **RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.:** I WILL EXPLORE THAT. THE INFORMATION
12 THAT I GOT FROM MY STAFF AS OF THIS MORNING WAS THE ONE-YEAR
13 PROVISION...

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT. AND IF IT IS, THEN I WOULD LIKE
16 TO HAVE A FOLLOW-UP ORDINANCE THAT WOULD INCLUDE THE INCREASED
17 PENALTY FOR A DANGEROUS DOG OWNER, TO TOUGHEN THAT PENALTY AND
18 ALSO THAT FINE, WHATEVER THAT LIMIT IS. AND WHAT ABOUT LEASH
19 LAWS? WHAT ARE WE DOING TO ENFORCE LEASH LAWS?

20

21 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** WELL, LEASH LAWS ARE REALLY-- YOU HAVE TO CATCH
22 IT IN THE ACT BECAUSE IT'S AN INFRACTION AND THAT'S REALLY A
23 FACTOR OF HOW MANY OFFICERS WE HAVE ON THE STREET AND JUST
24 LIKE, YOU KNOW, YOU KNOW THE AREAS WHERE POLICE OFFICERS ARE
25 RUNNING RADAR CHECKS SO PEOPLE KNOW NOT TO SPEED IN THOSE



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1 AREAS. PEOPLE KNOW THAT, IF THEY SEE POLICE PATROLLING THEIR
2 NEIGHBORHOODS ON A REGULAR BASIS, CRIME GOES DOWN. IT'S THE
3 SAME THEORY FOR THE ANIMALS. IF THEY KNOW ANIMAL CONTROL HAS A
4 STRONGER PRESENCE AND IS ON THE STREETS, THEY'RE GOING TO BE
5 LESS LIKELY TO ALLOW THEIR DOGS TO RUN LOOSE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK YOU ABOUT THE CLAUSE OF
8 GRANDFATHER-- TO GRANDFATHER IN THAT PROVISION. WHAT IS YOUR
9 RECOMMENDATION ON THAT?

10

11 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** I WOULD NOT GRANDFATHER IN ANIMALS FOR
12 SPAY/NEUTER ORDINANCE BECAUSE IT WOULD TAKE US PROBABLY TWO
13 DECADES TO SEE THE IMPACT ON OUR SHELTERS. AND THE GOAL IS TO
14 REDUCE EUTHANASIA.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WOULD SUPPORT THE ALL BREEDS, NOT
17 JUST TARGET THE TWO, AND THAT YOU SHOULD REDRAFT THAT AND COME
18 BACK BEFORE US. THAT'S MY INDIVIDUAL POSITION. AND I KNOW
19 THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP FOR AND
20 AGAINST AND WE HAVE A PROBLEM AND I KNOW YOU HAVE A PROBLEM AS
21 TO YOUR TIME BUT THIS WILL COME BACK BEFORE US. WE CAN TAKE
22 TESTIMONY FROM SOME AND THE REASON WE HAVE A-- AN EXECUTIVE
23 SESSION BASED UPON A LAWSUIT WHERE A JUDGE NEEDS INPUT FROM
24 THIS BOARD THIS AFTERNOON RELATIVE TO A JUDGMENT THAT HAS TO
25 BE AWARDED, SO WE HAVE A TIME CONSTRAINT WITH THE SHERIFF AND-



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1 - BUT NO ACTION AS TO IMPLEMENTING THE ORDINANCE WOULD BE
2 TODAY. IT WILL COME BACK BEFORE US WITH THAT-- MY PERSONAL
3 RECOMMENDATION IS THAT IT INCLUDE ALL BREEDS. ARE THERE ANY
4 QUESTIONS HERE? WE'LL ASK FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY. PERHAPS THOSE
5 OPPOSED TO IT COULD REDUCE-- WE HAVE FIVE PEOPLE THAT ARE IN
6 SUPPORT-- THAT ARE IN-- I SHOULD SAY FOUR THAT ARE IN SUPPORT
7 AND THEN WE HAVE ABOUT 30 THAT ARE OPPOSED, SO PERHAPS THOSE
8 IN OPPOSITION COULD GIVE SOME INPUT, REDUCE-- HAVE SOME
9 REPRESENTATIVES SPEAK FOR THEM AND WE WILL NOT TAKE ACTION ON
10 THIS TODAY. IT WILL COME BACK BEFORE US IN A PUBLIC HEARING
11 AND WE COULD SET THAT TIME SO, SHORT OF A RIOT IN A JAIL, WE
12 COULD HAVE THAT AS THE FIRST ITEM FOR US. ANY QUESTIONS FROM
13 BOARD MEMBERS? LET ME CALL THE SUPPORT. SUSAN-- SUPERVISOR
14 YAROSLAVSKY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PERHAPS WE COULD ASK HOW MANY OF THE PEOPLE
17 STILL WANT TO BE HEARD, BECAUSE IT'S POSSIBLE THAT ALL OF
18 THEM-- BECAUSE THERE'S SOME WHO WERE OPPOSED TO THE PROPOSAL
19 AS IT WAS PRESENTED PREVIOUSLY AND NOW, WHEN IT WAS BREED-
20 SPECIFIC, BUT NOW THAT IT'S GENERIC, MAYBE...

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITH THE INCLUSION OF ALL BREEDS AS A
23 PART OF THAT. I'M JUST-- I'M JUST-- OKAY. OKAY. SUSAN TAYLOR,
24 LILA BROOKS, PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY AND PAULINE HARTE. ONE MINUTE
25 EACH, YES. SUSAN TAYLOR.



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2 **SUSAN TAYLOR:** HI. I WAS JUST GOING TO START.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOUR NAME?

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6 **SUSAN TAYLOR:** SUSAN TAYLOR.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY.

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10 **SUSAN TAYLOR:** PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY IS NOT HERE.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LILA BROOKS AND PAULINE HARTE.

13 SHE'S LEFT, TOO? AND LEE WAX. LEE WAX? OKAY. SUSAN, YOU'RE ON.

14

15 **SUSAN TAYLOR:** MY NAME IS SUSAN TAYLOR AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
16 DIRECTOR OF ACTORS AND OTHERS FOR ANIMALS. OUR MAIN MISSION IS
17 TO CURB THE PET OVERPOPULATION PROBLEM BY STERILIZING DOGS AND
18 WE'VE BEEN SUPPORTING THE COUNTY FOR 35 YEARS AND WILL
19 CONTINUE TO DO SO. AND I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU ARE MAKING
20 THIS AN ALL BREED ORDINANCE AND THAT WAS WHY I WAS DOWN HERE,
21 TO MAKE THE SUGGESTION TO AND, TO MAKE MY COMMENTS SHORTER,
22 THE OTHER THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY, THOUGH, IS THAT, IN
23 PASSING ANY ORDINANCE, YOU ALSO NEED TO BE AWARE THAT THERE
24 ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO CANNOT AFFORD TO STERILIZE THEIR DOGS.
25 WITH ANY ORDINANCE YOU PASS, THE COUNTY NEEDS TO ASSIST THEIR



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1 CITIZENS WITH STERILIZATION. I WOULD SUGGEST A VOUCHER PROGRAM
2 SIMILAR TO THAT OF LOS ANGELES CITY. YOU ALSO NEED TO STAND BY
3 YOUR ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT AND PROVIDE THEM THE MANPOWER
4 AND TOOLS TO ENFORCE ANY ORDINANCE. I APPLAUD MARSHA MAYEDA
5 FOR HAVING THE MEETINGS AHEAD OF TIME AND FOR COMING BACK WITH
6 SUGGESTIONS AND I HAVE A LETTER HERE FROM PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY. I
7 DON'T KNOW IF I CAN, OF SUPPORT, WHO I GIVE THAT TO.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU GIVE IT TO THE CLERK AND SHE'LL
10 GIVE IT TO EACH OF THE MEMBERS. THANK YOU. LILA BROOKS.

11

12 **LILA BROOKS:** MY NAME IS LILA BROOKS, CALIFORNIA WILDLIFE
13 DEFENDERS. A PIT BULL IS A LETHAL WEAPON. IT MAIMS, MUTILATES
14 AND KILLS FAMILY MEMBERS, MAINLY CHILDREN AND OTHER INNOCENT
15 PEOPLE, WITHOUT PROVOCATION. ONE OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THIS
16 BOARD IS TO PROVIDE PROTECTION TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COUNTY.
17 THEREFORE, I'M SUBMITTING A MODEL ORDINANCE WHICH I HAVE
18 PREPARED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM THE VICIOUS
19 ATTACKS OF PIT BULLS. ACCORDING TO THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL
20 CODE, SECTION 31683, NO LAW COULD BE ENACTED AS TO SPECIFIC
21 BREEDS OF DOGS. HOWEVER, SENATE BILL 861 CHANGED ALL OF THAT
22 WHICH BECAME THE LAW AS OF JANUARY 1, 2006. THEREFORE, I'M
23 CONFIDENT THIS BOARD WILL HEED MY REQUEST JUST AS IT HAS IN
24 1990 WHEN I PLEADED THAT THE USE OF THE CLAW LEG HOLE TRAPS
25 WILL BE BANNED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M NOT SURE SUPERVISOR



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1 ANTONOVICH REMEMBERS THIS BOARD ACTION. IN SUPPORT OF MY
2 REQUEST, I AM PUTTING BEFORE YOU A LIST OF 75 PIT BULL
3 ATTACKS, A SHOCKING TESTIMONY, HOW SERIOUS THIS SITUATION IS.
4 MATTER OF FACT, IT HAS REACHED EPIDEMIC PROPORTIONS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME SAY, LILA, WE HAVE THAT
7 INFORMATION AND WE'LL TAKE THAT...

8

9 **LILA BROOKS:** I HAVE TWO MORE SENTENCES.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

12

13 **LILA BROOKS:** IF THIS ORDINANCE CANNOT BE ENACTED IN ITS
14 ENTIRETY, AT LEAST TWO CLAUSES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED. NAMELY,
15 THAT PIT BULLS SHOULD BE SPAYED AND NEUTERED AND MOST
16 IMPORTANTLY MUZZLED AT ALL TIMES. IF A MOUNTAIN LION OR COYOTE
17 IS SEEN IN THE HILLSIDE COMMUNITY, WHERE IT IS SUPPOSED TO BE
18 SINCE IT HAS BEEN HERE SINCE THE PLEISTOCENE EPOCH AND DOING
19 NO HARM, PEOPLE GET HYSTERICAL AND SOMEONE, THE ANIMAL CONTROL
20 AND FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT AND THE INNOCENT ANIMALS BEING
21 SHOT AND KILLED.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

24

25 **LILA BROOKS:** BUT PIT BULLS STIR UP PEOPLE AND OTHER ANIMALS...



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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4 **LILA BROOKS:** ...AND SO FAR NOTHING HAS TO BE DONE TO STOP IT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THOSE ARE LONG
7 SENTENCES.

8

9 **LILA BROOKS:** IN ENGLAND, THE OWNERSHIP OF PIT BULLS IS
10 PROHIBITED ALTOGETHER.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
13 LILA. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **LEE WAX:** MR. MAYOR AND HONORABLE BOARD, MY NAME IS LEE WAX.
16 I'M THE POLITICAL DIRECTOR FOR LOCAL 685 PROBATION OFFICERS. I
17 SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE AMENDMENT. I'M NOT A DOG EXPERT.
18 HOWEVER, I AM A DOG LOVER, SOMEWHAT TEMPERED BY MY EXPERIENCE,
19 AND HAVE OWNED DOGS OFF AND ON FOR MOST OF MY LIFE. I CAME TO
20 SPEAK TO THE UNPREDICTABLE NATURE OF PIT BULLS AND PIT BULL
21 MIXES. I HAD AN ENCOUNTER WITH A PIT BULL/GERMAN SHEPHERD. THE
22 DOG BIT MY BOTTOM LIP OFF AND PART OF MY TOP LIP. I WAS
23 FORTUNATE ENOUGH, WHEN THIS HAPPENED, THAT THERE WAS A DOCTOR
24 ON CALL IN EMERGENCY BECAUSE IT HAPPENED AT MIDNIGHT ON A
25 SUNDAY NIGHT AND HE DID 4-1/2 HOURS OF WORK ON MY LIP.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HE DID A GOOD JOB.

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4 **LEE WAX:** HE DID A GREAT JOB, AND SO I SPEAK TODAY, EVEN THOUGH
5 I DON'T WANT TO INCUR THE WRATH OF DOG LOVERS BECAUSE I AM
6 ONE, BUT I WOULDN'T WANT THIS TO HAPPEN TO ANYONE AND
7 CERTAINLY MY FEAR IS THAT IT HAPPENS TO A CHILD, AND THAT'S MY
8 REASON FOR SPEAKING.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **LEE WAX:** THIS IS A DOG THAT I HAD KNOWN FROM INFANCY, FED,
13 PLAYED WITH AND HALF RAISED, AND SO THAT'S AN UNPREDICTABLE
14 NATURE OF A DOG.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING FORWARD. JEREMY
17 SCHUSTER, GWEN FIORITO, WENDY REUBEN, HOLLY WOMACK. AND IF YOU
18 WANT TO GIVE YOUR-- NOT GIVE TESTIMONY, HOLD IT UNTIL THE
19 ORDINANCE COMES BACK, THAT'S APPRECIATED AS WELL. AS SOON AS
20 YOU SPEAK, IF YOU WOULD RETURN TO YOUR SEAT AND TAMARA
21 SVETICH, DARRYN HOUSER, KYM DEHISI. YOU CAN FOLLOW, TAKE THAT
22 EMPTY SEAT. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME BEFORE YOU SPEAK FOR THE
23 RECORD.

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1 **JEREMY SCHUSTER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
2 IS JEREMY SCHUSTER. MY POINT TO ADDRESS HERE TODAY IS THAT WE
3 NEED TO BE HONEST ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING. YOUR OFFICIAL PRESS
4 RELEASE STATED, "ANTONOVICH CALLS FOR COUNTY ORDINANCE TO
5 REGULATE VICIOUS DOGS AND PROTECT THE PUBLIC." THE MOTION AND
6 THE DISCUSSION WAS ABOUT PUTTING A STOP TO DANGEROUS AND
7 VICIOUS DOGS. ALTHOUGH YOU VOTED ON WHETHER TO MANDATE A
8 ORDINANCE TO CURTAIL VICIOUS DOGS, WHEN I MET WITH DIRECTOR
9 MAYEDA, SHE SAID THIS IS NOT A VICIOUS DOG ORDINANCE, IT'S AND
10 ORDINANCE TO CONTROL THE SHELTER POPULATION BUT THEN, DAYS
11 LATER, ON FEBRUARY 9TH, THE MAYOR SENT OUT A LETTER SAYING THE
12 ORDINANCE WAS BEING USED TO CURTAIL SPECIFIC BREEDS OF DOGS
13 WHICH HAVE STATISTICALLY SHOWN A HIGH PROPENSITY FOR VICIOUS
14 ATTACKS. IT WOULD APPEAR FROM THIS THAT YOU AND WE HAVE NOT
15 BEEN DEALT HONESTLY FOR FAIRLY OR IN A FORTHRIGHT MANNER AND
16 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE DEMAND AND EXPECT FROM OUR ELECTED
17 OFFICIALS. IT'S PART OF THE PUBLIC TRUST WHICH IS VERY SIMPLE.
18 WE TRUST THAT YOU WILL NOT FALSELY REPRESENT WHAT IT IS YOU'RE
19 DOING OR THE MANNER IN WHICH YOU DO IT. THE DIRECTOR
20 PREVIOUSLY ADVISED YOU THAT THERE ARE SUFFICIENT PROVISIONS
21 AND PENALTIES TO ADDRESS VICIOUS DOGS. SB-8.61 DOES NOT ALLOW
22 REGULATION OF VICIOUS DOGS. ITS PURPOSE IS TO PERMIT
23 APPROPRIATE ACTION AIMED AT ELIMINATING UNCONTROLLED AND
24 IRRESPONSIBLE BREEDING. IT STATES VERBATIM THAT NO SPECIFIC
25 DOG IS INHERENTLY DANGEROUS OR VICIOUS. THE TESTIMONY THAT YOU



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1 HAD BEFORE ABOUT THE ATTACK WAS THAT IT WAS FROM A NEUTERED
2 PIT BULL, MIXED BREED DOG, SO LET'S BE HONEST ABOUT WHAT WE'RE
3 DOING. I REPRESENT SEVERAL GROUPS HERE TODAY WHO ARE IN FAVOR
4 OF A ALL BREED SPAY AND NEUTER ORDINANCE WITH APPROPRIATE
5 EXCEPTIONS FOR THE FANCIER, FOR THOSE WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THE
6 SHOW AND SERVICE COMMUNITIES, ET CETERA. BUT, EVEN WITH SPAY
7 AND NEUTER ORDINANCES, THAT WILL NOT CHANGE THE SITUATION OF A
8 NEUTERED MIXED BREED DOG THAT WILL ATTACK AND NOTHING THAT
9 YOU'VE DONE TODAY AND NOTHING THAT YOU MAY DO IN MARCH WILL DO
10 THAT UNLESS WE HAVE AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE TYPE OF ORDINANCE. I
11 WOULD URGE YOU TO BE HONEST AND FORTHRIGHT WITH THE PUBLIC
12 ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND, IF YOU ARE INTENDING TO APPEASE
13 YOUR CONSTITUENTS AND OTHERS, AND, BY THE WAY, THE GIRL WHO
14 LOST HER EAR CERTAINLY HAS OUR SYMPATHIES, THEN DO THAT
15 PROPERLY AND LET'S ADDRESS BY PROPERLY FUNDING ANIMAL CONTROL
16 AND SENDING THE NUMBER OF OFFICERS THAT THEY NEED TO THOSE
17 AREAS, THE DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOGS, AND NOT DO IT BY BREED
18 LABELING, WHICH IS SIMPLY INAPPROPRIATE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU AND WE ARE INCREASING THEIR
21 BUDGET AND THEY HAVE INCREASED THEIR NUMBERS ON THOSE SWEEPS.
22 ANYWAY. THANK YOU. GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD. [APPLAUSE]
23 [GAVEL]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE BUT IF YOU
2 WANT TO SAY GOOD JOB, WAVE YOUR HAND, ALL FIVE FINGERS,
3 THOUGH.

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5 **WENDY REUBEN:** MY NAME IS WENDY REUBEN. I AM FROM AKITA BUDDIES
6 RESCUE. I HAVE A FACILITY OUT IN PALMDALE. I DO AKITA RESCUE
7 AND COVER THE SOUTHWESTERN STATES OF CALIFORNIA, ARIZONA,
8 NEVADA, UTAH, ALL THE WAY TO COLORADO. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS
9 TRULY TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF UNALTERED PIT BULLS AND
10 ROTTWEILERS IN THE L.A. COUNTY SHELTERS, THEN PLEASE
11 COORDINATE AN AFFORDABLE COST SPAY AND NEUTER PROGRAM. IN THE
12 ANTELOPE VALLEY, IT COSTS BETWEEN \$120 AND \$250 TO SPAY OR
13 NEUTER A LARGE BREED DOG. MANY RESIDENTS CANNOT AFFORD IT AND
14 SO THEY DON'T. WHAT THIS DOES IS THIS BURDENS YOUR SHELTERS
15 AND RESCUES, JUST LIKE ME, WITH DOGS THAT COME IN THAT DON'T
16 HAVE HOMES WHO NEED HOMES. THE THING ABOUT THIS ORDINANCE IS
17 THAT IT IS BREED SPECIFIC. BREED SPECIFIC LAWS DON'T WORK. IT
18 IS NOT THE BREED THAT IS THE PROBLEM, IT IS THE PEOPLE. THE
19 DOG THAT RECENTLY MAULED THE FRENCH WOMAN SO BADLY THAT HER
20 FACE HAD TO BE TRANSPLANTED WAS A LABRADOR RETRIEVER. I HAVE
21 NEVER SEEN A ROTTWEILER PLACE EIGHT KIDS IN A SACK AND THROW
22 THEM DOWN THE RIVER TO DROWN. I HAVE NEVER SEEN A PIT BULL TIE
23 A HUMAN TO A TREE UNTIL THE ROPE DUG INTO THE HUMAN WHILE IT
24 LUNGED FOR FOOD. I HAVE HEARD AND READ OF AXEL, THE ROTTWEILER
25 MIX WHO IS STATIONED IN NEW YORK AND WORKS FOR THE FBI



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1 DETECTING NARCOTICS AND KEEPING THEM OFF THE STREETS FOR OUR
2 KIDS. DEEDS, NOT BREEDS, SHOULD DETERMINE IF DOGS ARE
3 DANGEROUS.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] [GAVEL]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST GIVE YOUR NAME.

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9 **HOLLY WOMACK:** HOLLY WOMACK. I'D LIKE TO SEE IF I COULD GIVE MY
10 TIME TO JUDI DANIELS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

13

14 **HOLLY WOMACK:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DARRYN HAUSER. OR HOUSER DARRYL.

17

18 **GWEN FIORITO:** YES. MY NAME IS-- I'M GWEN FIORITO AND I'D LIKE
19 TO GIVE MY TIME TO JUDITH BECKER.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, HI, MY OPINION, I'M LOOKING AT A DIFFERENT
24 LEVEL, I'M LOOKING AT IT AS YOUR ACCESS TO GANG MEMBERS. I'VE
25 KIND OF SEEN THIS MYSELF, THAT IT'S ALLOWING YOU AN ACCESS TO



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1 GANG MEMBERS. I FEEL THAT YOUR BSLS, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO
2 WORK, YOUR BREED SPECIFIC LAWS. YOU HAVE THE LEASH LAW IN
3 FAITH. I SAY SWEEP, SWEEP, SWEEP. I TOLD YOU THAT AT THE
4 MEETING AND I STILL AGREE, IF YOU JUST KEEP SWEEPING AND KEEP
5 SWEEPING, YOUR FLOORS ARE GOING TO BE CLEAN, OKAY? JUST KEEP
6 ON GETTING THE DOGS OFF THE STREET AND YOU'RE GOING TO
7 STRAIGHTEN IT UP. I'M NOT SURE IF I AGREE FOR MANDATORY SPAY
8 AND NEUTER OF ANY BREED. I'M THINK THAT, IF YOU GO AHEAD AND
9 MAYBE MAKE A TASK FORCE FOR THIS PURPOSE TO BE ABLE TO GET
10 INTO THE GANG MEMBERS, THEN THAT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT
11 BECAUSE I THINK THAT-- I'M THINKING THAT THAT'S WHERE YOU GUYS
12 ARE COMING FROM AND SO THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT I'M SAYING.
13 SWEEP, SWEEP, SWEEP AND AS YOUR HONOR MAYOR ANTONOVICH KEEPING
14 UP THE GOOD WORK AS FAR AS YOUR ABILITY TO ACCESS GANG HOUSES.
15 YOU HAVE THE GREEN LIGHT NOW TO SHOOT THESE DOGS, CONTINUE
16 DOING IT, GET A GANG FORCE TO GO IN THERE AND TAKE CARE OF
17 THEM. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **JUDY DANIELS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS JUDY DANIELS.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONE SECOND. LAWRENCE COLLINS.

24 LAWRENCE. OKAY. YES. GO ON.

25



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1 **JUDY DANIELS:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. I HAVE A
2 PREPARED STATEMENT. BEFORE I GIVE THAT TO YOU, THOUGH, I'D
3 LIKE TO COMMENT ON WHAT WE'VE HEARD SO FAR TODAY, AND,
4 FRANKLY, I'M HUMBLLED BY THE ISSUE THAT WE ARE TRYING TO
5 ADDRESS WITH WHAT'S BEEN ADDRESSED SO FAR TODAY. IT SEEMS
6 MINOR IN A LOT OF WAYS BUT I THINK SO MANY OF US ARE ANIMAL
7 OWNERS AND WE KNOW HOW IMPORTANT OUR ANIMALS ARE TO US. THE
8 OTHER THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS I'M BLOWN AWAY BY THE
9 REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU'RE HONESTLY PRESENTING AS QUALIFYING FOR
10 A DOG TO BE ABLE TO EXIST THAT ARE MORE DIFFICULT
11 REQUIREMENTS, UNBELIEVABLY DIFFICULT TO ENFORCE, I WOULD SAY,
12 THAN WE REQUIRE OF FELONS THAT ARE RELEASED FROM PRISON. I
13 CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT THESE DOGS ARE GOING TO BE REQUIRED TO DO.
14 ANYWAY, I'M A PAST PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AND I'VE
15 SERVED ON THE AKC BOARD AND I APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY. I
16 HAVE GIVEN A PACKAGE, THROUGH YOUR OFFICE, MR. ANTONOVICH, OF
17 AKC'S PACKET ON RESPONSIBLE ANIMAL OWNERSHIP AND WHAT AKC HAS
18 DONE TO TRY TO INSTILL THAT EVERYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY. OUR
19 GOAL IS RESPONSIBLE ANIMAL OWNERSHIP AND PUBLIC EDUCATION.
20 ORGANIZATIONS LIKE AKC, LOCAL DOG CLUBS AND STATE FEDERATIONS
21 ARE AVAILABLE TO GIVE INFORMATION, TO GIVE PUBLIC EDUCATION
22 MATERIALS AND ASSISTANCE. NOW, I AM SPEAKING AS AN INDIVIDUAL,
23 THOUGH, AND NOT AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AKC. MY HUSBAND AND
24 I HAVE OWNED STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIERS FOR OVER 35 YEARS.
25 THEY HAVE BEEN THE LOVE OF OUR LIFE. I SUPPORT REASONABLE



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1 ANIMAL CONTROL LAWS BUT I DO NOT, AND ESPECIALLY, THAT APPLY
2 TO ALL BREEDS BUT I CANNOT SUPPORT AUTOMATIC SPAY AND NEUTER
3 BECAUSE SPAYING AND NEUTERING DOES NOT NECESSARILY CHANGE THE
4 BEHAVIOR OF A DOG. IT WILL ALLEVIATE IT, IT WILL SEND IT INTO
5 EXTINCTION IF YOU GET THEM ALL BUT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GET
6 THEM ALL. REALISTICALLY, THE LAWS THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
7 ARE UNENFORCEABLE AND THEY'RE INEFFECTIVE BECAUSE ONLY THE
8 GOOD GUYS COMPLY. SUCH LAWS UNFAIRLY PUNISH THE RESPONSIBLE
9 OWNERS AND, AS YOU HEARD BEFORE, IT'S THE DEED, NOT THE BREED.
10 ACTUALLY, I FIND IT CURIOUS THAT YOU WERE LIMITING YOUR
11 AUTHORITY TO CERTAIN BREEDS AND NOW I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU ARE
12 NOT, SO I DO THINK IT IS FAIR IF YOU'RE GOING TO CONSIDER ANY
13 DOG THAT IS DANGEROUS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT IS BECAUSE OF COUNTY COUNSEL.

16

17 **JUDY DANIELS:** AND I UNDERSTAND THAT AND IT'S WISE, VERY WISE
18 COUNSEL. I ASSUME THAT YOU'RE ALL AWARE THAT DOG FIGHTING
19 EVENTS OCCUR REGULARLY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. GANGS
20 AREN'T THE ONLY PROBLEM. CERTAIN TYPES OF DOGS ARE COMMONLY
21 USED IN THESE EVENTS AND CERTAIN TYPES OF DOGS ARE ALSO
22 COMMONLY ASSOCIATED WITH THE GANGS AND USED TO GUARD ILLEGAL
23 ACTIVITIES LIKE THE METH LABS BUT WE HAVE LAWS ON THE BOOKS,
24 AS HAS ALREADY BEEN STATED, TO TAKE CARE OF THESE PROBLEMS.
25 THE PEOPLE WHO ARE INVOLVED IN THE ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES ARE NOT



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1 GOING TO FOLLOW ANY NEW LAW. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO COMPLY
2 BECAUSE THEY DON'T COMPLY WITH THE LAWS NOW. ONE DIFFICULTY IN
3 ENFORCING CURRENT LAWS AGAINST THESE ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES IS
4 THEY TEND TO MAINLY OCCUR IN CERTAIN AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY AND
5 TO ENFORCE THESE LAWS COULD ELICIT A PUBLIC CRY OF PROFILING.
6 SO WHAT WE DON'T WANT TO DO IS PROFILE THE DOGS, WHICH I
7 UNDERSTAND.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **JUDY DANIELS:** I URGE YOU TO TAKE THE NECESSARY TIME TO
12 ESTABLISH REASONABLE ANIMAL CONTROLS THAT APPLY FAIRLY TO ALL
13 BREEDS, THAT ENCOURAGE RESPONSIBLE ANIMAL OWNERSHIP AND THAT
14 ARE ENFORCEABLE AND ARE CONSIDERATE OF RESPONSIBLE OWNERS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **JUDY DANIELS:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** KARYN DAWES. YES?

21

22 **JUDITH BRECKA:** MY NAME IS JUDITH BRECKA. I'M REPRESENTING THE
23 STAFFORDSHIRE TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA TODAY AT THE REQUEST OF
24 THE PRESIDENT, LYNN CLEMENTS. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF ISSUES I'D
25 LIKE TO DISCUSS. FIRST OF ALL, I PERSONALLY OPPOSE MANDATORY



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1 SPAY AND NEUTER FOR ALL BREEDS. AND ONE OF THE-- I'VE ALREADY
2 SENT LETTERS TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS REGARDING THE LEGAL ISSUES
3 BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE THAT HAS TO BE TAKEN INTO
4 CONSIDERATION AND THAT'S HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS. THERE'S BEEN A
5 NUMBER OF SCIENTIFIC STUDIES ALREADY TAKEN THAT SHOW THAT,
6 WHEN YOU NEUTER A DOG TOO EARLY, BEFORE THE AGE OF TWO YEARS
7 OLD, THERE'S A HIGHER INCREASE IN BONE CANCER, ESPECIALLY IN
8 THE LARGER BREEDS, LIKE THE ROTTWEILER AND AM. STAFFS. YOU
9 HAVE A GREATER INCIDENT IN EARLY SPAY THAT-- OF TORN CRUCIATE
10 LIGAMENTS AND I KNOW BECAUSE I HAD TWO DOGS THAT I ADOPTED
11 FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO S.P.C.A. AND I SPAYED THEM BOTH EARLY.
12 AND THEY WERE OBEDIENCE COMPETITION DOGS AND BOTH OF THEM BLEW
13 OUT THEIR KNEES AND THAT'S A COMMON OCCURRENCE WITH DOGS THAT
14 ARE SPAYED TOO EARLY OR NEUTERED. YOU ALSO HAVE-- ALSO SOME OF
15 THE STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT THE MALE DOGS THAT ARE NEUTERED
16 EARLY SUFFER FROM COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENT AND ALSO THERE'S AN
17 INCREASE IN CARDIAC TUMORS, LIVER CANCERS, THYROID CANCER, AS
18 WELL AS AN INCREASE IN PANCREATITIS. NOW, WITH ALL THAT SAID,
19 WITH THOSE KINDS OF HEALTH ISSUES, I CAN'T THINK OF ANYBODY IN
20 THEIR RIGHT MIND WHO WOULD SAY, WE WANT TO HAVE OUR-- WE WANT
21 TO SPAY AND NEUTER OUR DOGS BEFORE THE GROWTH PLATE IS
22 COMPLETED, AND THAT'S AROUND AGE TWO YEARS OLD. THE OTHER
23 THING I'D LIKE TO RAISE TODAY IS WE HAVE-- THIS IS REALLY A
24 PEOPLE PROBLEM. LET'S DEAL WITH IT BY ENFORCING THE LAWS WE
25 HAVE. ONCE THAT IS DONE, IN YOUR ROUNDUP IN THE PALMDALE



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1 LANCASTER AREA, YOU ROUNDED UP 18 DOGS AND THAT HELPED. I HAVE
2 FRIENDS FROM WEST L.A. OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB WHO LIVE IN
3 THAT AREA AND THEY WERE EXCITED ABOUT THAT. DO MORE OF THAT
4 AND YOU'LL HAVE EVERYBODY HERE CHEERING YOU ON AND BACKING YOU
5 UP.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **JUDITH BRECKA:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. JUDY DANIELS. OKAY.

12

13 **JEN DELISI:** HI. MY NAME IS JEN DELISI AND BASICALLY THE BULK
14 OF MY STUFF YOU KIND OF BLEW OUT OF THE WATER BY AGREEING WITH
15 ME, SO I WILL LET THAT GO. I AM FOR ALL BREED SPAY/NEUTER,
16 WITH EXCEPTIONS, AND I BELIEVE THE EXCEPTIONS, IF WE'RE GOING
17 TO APPLY THEM OVER THE LONGER AREA, WILL ACTUALLY BRING COSTS
18 DOWN BUT I ALSO BELIEVE THAT WE NEED TO-- WE NEED TO LET GO OF
19 OUR POSSESSIVENESS OF-- WE NEED TO MICROCHIP, WE NEED TO MAKE
20 SURE THAT WE ARE NOT CONTRIBUTING TO A PROBLEM AND, IN MY
21 AREA, IN LAKE LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE A SEVERE PROBLEM AND WE
22 NEED ENFORCEMENT, WE NEED PEOPLE ON THE GROUND, WE NEED PEOPLE
23 DRIVING UP AND DOWN THE STREETS EVERY DAY AND I THINK THAT YOU
24 WILL GET MORE VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT TO-- I'M SORRY-- TO DO THE



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1 SPAY/NEUTER IF YOU MAKE IT NOT QUITE SO STRINGENT AS YOU HAVE
2 FOR THIS BREED BUT I'M SURE WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT MORE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN
5 FROM LAKE L.A. CYNTHIA LONG. YES, SIR?

6

7 **LAWRENCE COLLINS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LAWRENCE COLLINS,
8 AND, YOU KNOW, I'M SORT OF IN THE MINORITY HERE IN TERMS OF
9 I'VE NEVER OWNED A ROTTWEILER OR A PIT BULL AND DON'T REALLY
10 HAVE ANY INTENT BUT I DO OWN A LARGE BREED DOG. AND, YOU KNOW,
11 MY CONCERN ABOUT THIS-- OR ABOUT THIS ORDINANCE IS, YOU KNOW,
12 THE POSSIBILITY THAT IT COULD BE EXPANDED ABOVE AND BEYOND,
13 YOU KNOW, THE INITIAL EXPECTATION. I'M THRILLED THAT WE'RE
14 GOING TO TALK ABOUT ALL BREEDS. I THINK EUTHANASIA IN THE
15 SHELTERS IS CERTAINLY AN ISSUE. I'VE SPENT A LITTLE OVER 20
16 YEARS IN AND OUT OF THE PET INDUSTRY AND I CURRENTLY WORK IN
17 IT TODAY AND EUTHANASIA IS SOMETHING THAT WE ALL WANT TO
18 ATTACK AND, YOU KNOW, I'LL EVEN GO SO FAR AS TO MAKE A
19 SUGGESTION IN TERMS OF FUNDING FOR MORE ANIMAL CONTROL
20 OFFICERS, AS HAS BEEN MENTIONED HERE, YOU KNOW, PREVIOUSLY, IN
21 THAT, RIGHT NOW, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ALTERED AND UNALTERED
22 DOGS IS \$18. OVER THE 10-YEAR LIFE SPAN OF MY ANIMAL, IT'S 180
23 BUCKS TOTAL THAT, YOU KNOW, WOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. I'M
24 GOING TO MAKE SOME ENEMIES BACK BEHIND ME HERE IN A SECOND BUT
25 IF YOU JUST TAKE THAT DIFFERENCE FROM 18 BUCKS TO \$82 AND YOU



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1 MAKE AN UNALTERED DOG A HUNDRED-DOLLAR, YOU KNOW, PENALTY AND
2 YOU DO IT ACROSS ALL BREEDS, NUMBER ONE, YOU'RE GOING TO
3 ENCOURAGE SPAY/NEUTER. OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD, THEY'VE PAID
4 FOR THE COST OF THE SURGERY, YOU KNOW, THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN
5 REQUIRED TO SPAY OR NEUTER THE DOG. YOU'RE GOING TO INCREASE
6 FUNDING FOR ANIMAL CONTROL TO GET OUT THERE AND MAKE THE
7 SWEEPS THAT ARE NECESSARY AND STOP THE DOG FIGHTING.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL TAKE THAT UNDER CONSIDERATION.
10 THANK YOU. SHAWN DALEY.

11

12 **KARYN DAWES:** YES, MY NAME IS KARYN DAWES. I HAVE OWNED
13 AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIERS FOR OVER 25 INCIDENT-FREE YEARS. I
14 OPPOSE ANY NEW LAWS WHEN CONSISTENT STRICT ENFORCEMENT OF
15 EXISTING LAWS SHOULD BE ADEQUATE TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM. BY
16 ADMISSION OF YOUR OWN ANIMAL CONTROL DIRECTOR, THE PROBLEM,
17 QUOTE, IS NOT ADEQUACY OF EXISTING LAWS. SO WHY DO WE NEED TO
18 MAKE NEW ONES? THE DEPARTMENT APPEARS TO ME TO BE UNDERFUNDED
19 AND UNDERSTAFFED, SO CURRENT LAWS AREN'T BEING ENFORCED. HOW
20 ARE YOU GOING TO HANDLE THE DEFICIENCY WHEN EVEN MORE
21 REGULATIONS HIT THE BOOKS? IMPOSING RESTRICTIONS AND RAISING
22 FEES WILL UNFAIRLY TARGET ETHICAL BREEDERS, RESPONSIBLE DOG
23 OWNERS WHO LICENSE THEIR DOGS AND LIVE WITHIN THE ANIMAL
24 CONTROL REGULATIONS. IT'S GOING TO DO LITTLE TO HAVE A NEW LAW
25 THAT WON'T ADDRESS EITHER SHELTER OVERPOPULATION OR



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1 IRRESPONSIBLE OWNERSHIP. LICENSE COMPLIANCE IS NOT HIGH NOW.
2 THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE IS GOING TO DRIVE EVEN MORE DOG OWNERS
3 UNDERGROUND. THEY MAY EVEN GO SO FAR AS TO AVOID VETERINARY
4 CARE, RABIES VACCINATIONS AND THE LIKE. IMPOSING FINANCIAL
5 BURDENS COULD RESULT IN A HIGHER SURRENDER RATE THROUGH
6 MANDATORY SPAY/NEUTER AND IT COULD ALSO OTHERS TO JUST SIMPLY
7 OPEN THE DOOR AND LET THEIR DOGS OUT. I WANT TO BRING JUST A
8 FEW LITTLE FACTS FROM AURORA, COLORADO, WHO RECENTLY IMPOSED
9 AN AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIER SPECIFIC ORDINANCE. IT WAS NOT
10 MANDATORY SPAY/NEUTER ALTHOUGH SPAY/NEUTER IS A PART OF THE
11 ORDINANCE. ON FEBRUARY 1ST, THE ORDINANCE WENT INTO EFFECT.
12 AURORA, COLORADO, IS A CITY OF 303,000. IN THE FIRST 14 DAYS
13 OF THIS ORDINANCE, ANIMAL CONTROL HAD 388 RESTRICTED BREED
14 CHECKS BACKLOGGED AND THEIR DISPATCHERS WERE RECEIVING
15 APPROXIMATELY 15 ANONYMOUS CALLS A DAY BY NEIGHBORS TURNING IN
16 SUSPECTED ILLEGAL PIT BULLS. I HAVE TO ASK YOU, IS L.A. COUNTY
17 PREPARED TO SHOULDER THE EXTRA ENFORCEMENT BURDEN THAT WOULD
18 RESULT BY A STATUTE SUCH AS PROPOSED? AS A RESPONSIBLE OWNER,
19 RESCUER, DOG TRAIN AND LOVER OF THE AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIER,
20 AND A LAW-ABIDING CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, I RESPECTFULLY
21 REQUEST THAT YOU DENY ANY NEW REGULATIONS IN FAVOR OF STRICT
22 ENFORCEMENT OF YOUR EXISTING STATUTE. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. HERMINE STOVER AND JACOB
25 SCHAFFER.



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2 **CYNTHIA LONG:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA LONG AND I AM ALSO A
3 MEMBER OF THE STAFFORDSHIRE TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA, AN AKC
4 SANCTIONED CLUB. I HAVE OWNED AMERICAN STAFFORDSHIRE TERRIERS,
5 AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIERS AND STAFFORDSHIRE BULL TERRIERS
6 SINCE 1985. WE DO NOT FEEL THAT ANY NEW HASTILY RESEARCHED
7 ORDINANCE IS JUSTIFIABLE AT THIS TIME. THIS WOULD BE
8 SUBSTANTIATED IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM YOUR OWN L.A. COUNTY
9 ANIMAL CONTROL DIRECTOR. YOUR ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT IS
10 ALREADY HAVING TROUBLE ENFORCING THE CURRENT LAWS ON THE
11 BOOKS. WE ALSO KNOW A MAJOR PROBLEM EXISTS WITH FUNDING,
12 MANPOWER AND ANIMAL HEALTHCARE. THE IMPORTANT STATEMENT I READ
13 IS THAT YOUR CURRENT DIRECTOR DID NOT HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE
14 ADEQUACY OF THE LAWS BUT INDEED WITH ENFORCING THESE LAWS. WE
15 DO NOT NEED NEW LAWS, ESPECIALLY LAWS TARGETING SPECIFIC
16 BREEDS. WE DO NEED BETTER, MORE EFFICIENT ENFORCEMENT OF THE
17 CURRENT LAWS. WE NEED EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR THE PUBLIC, WE
18 NEED MORE FREE OR LOW COST SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAMS MADE
19 AVAILABLE. WE DO NOT NEED HIGHER FEES, WE DO NOT NEED TO
20 PENALIZE THOSE ALREADY IN COMPLIANCE WITH CURRENT LAWS. WE DO
21 NOT AGREE WITH CREATING MORE LAWS THAT WILL CREATE MORE
22 PROBLEMS, NOT THE VERY LEAST OF WHICH BEING COMPLIANCE,
23 CONFRONTATIONS BETWEEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND MAKING AN ENEMY
24 OUT OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS INSTEAD OF THEIR FRIENDS. IT IS
25 AN IRRESPONSIBLE OWNERS THAT NEEDS TO BE TARGETED. THE



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1 STAFFORDSHIRE TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA OPPOSES MANDATORY
2 SPAY/NEUTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB POLICY.
3 THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. RALPH RODRIGUEZ. YES,
6 MA'AM, YOU'RE NEXT.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CAN YOU TAKE THE OTHER CHAIR. NO, NO.
11 I MEAN-- OKAY. DOESN'T MATTER. OKAY.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** SORRY. THANK YOU. I REPRESENT NOBODY BUT MYSELF. I
14 HAVE OWNED IN THE PAST A ROTTIE CROSS LABRADOR. MY FIRST POINT
15 WOULD BE ONE OF SIMPLE BIOLOGY. WHY ARE YOU IGNORING HALF THE
16 GENETICS OF A DOG? A DOG IS COMPRISED OF BOTH THE PARENTS.
17 EVEN IF YOU IGNORE THE IDEA OF WHETHER OR NOT A BREED IS
18 INHERENTLY DANGEROUS, YOU CANNOT IGNORE THE FACT THAT IT IS A
19 MUTT AND CAN BE AS MUCH LABRADOR AS IT IS PIT. I'D ALSO LIKE
20 TO SAY I FIND YOUR PROPOSAL INHERENTLY PREJUDICIAL FOR THE
21 SIMPLE REASON IT PUTS PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE
22 PARTISAN, THAT BEING THE AKC OR THE OFA IN A QUASI-REGULATORY
23 CAPACITY. IN ADDITION, IT INDIRECTLY ENDORSES SAID PRIVATE
24 ORGANIZATIONS. IT DISCRIMINATES AGAINST ANYONE WITH A DOG
25 WHICH CANNOT BE REGISTERED. THERE ARE VERY SELECT CRITERIA BY



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1 WHICH THE AKC WILL ALLOW A DOG TO BE REGISTERED. THESE
2 CRITERIA ARE SUPPORTED BY THE BREED CLUBS. THE BREED CLUBS DO
3 NOT REPRESENT THE UNIVERSE OF THAT BREED'S OWNERS. IT IS
4 EXTREMELY CONTROVERSIAL. I REALIZE THAT. RED ROTTIES, YOU
5 CANNOT REGISTER THEM SO YOU COULD NOT COMPLY, EVEN IF YOU
6 WANTED TO, WITH YOUR ORDINANCE. IT REQUIRES HEALTH TESTING AS
7 PART OF THE PROCESS FOR HAVING A RESTRICTED DOG. THE HEALTH
8 TESTING IS ARBITRARY. YOUR OWN CRITERIA ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO
9 COMPLY WITH. YOU GAVE AN EXEMPTION FOR UP TO FOUR MONTHS OLD
10 AND THEN YOU SAY, OH, BY WITH WHATEVER CRITERIA THAT THESE
11 PARTICULAR BREEDS OR ORGANIZATIONS MUST COMPLY. OFA IS NOT
12 OFFICIAL FOR HIPS UNTIL TWO YEARS OLD. HOW DO YOU COMPLY
13 BETWEEN FOUR MONTHS AND TWO YEARS?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME JUST SAY, IF YOU HAVE
16 ADDITIONAL TESTIMONY, WE'LL TAKE IT AND GIVE IT TO THE
17 DEPARTMENT FOR THAT INFORMATION PRIOR TO THEM BRINGING IT BACK
18 TO US, OKAY, THE REST OF YOUR TESTIMONY.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** IT'S GOT NOTES BUT, THANK YOU, I'LL EMAIL IT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OR SEND IT TO US AND WE'LL SEND IT TO
23 THE DEPARTMENT.

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

3

4 **JAKE SCHAFFER:** MY WIFE AND I HAVE HAVE OWNED, SHOWN, BRED AND
5 RAISED AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIERS...

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD FIRST.
8 GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD FIRST.

9

10 **JAKE SCHAFFER:** MY NAME IS JAKE SCHAFFER, JACOB H. SCHAEFFER.
11 MY WIFE AND I HAVE OWNED, BRED, AND RAISED PIT BULL TERRIERS
12 FOR OVER 25 YEARS. WE'VE GOT A ROOM FULL OF TROPHIES EARNED BY
13 OUR SHOW DOGS AND SCRAPBOOKS FULL OF PICTURES AND LETTERS FROM
14 FOLKS WHO'VE BOUGHT PUPPIES FROM US AND LOVED, ABSOLUTELY
15 GREAT ANIMALS THAT THESE PUPPIES BECAME. NOW YOU'RE
16 CONSIDERING TO CHANGE YOUR COUNTY ANIMAL CODE HERE FOR
17 MANDATORY SPAYING AND NEUTERING OF SPECIFIC BREEDS, ALTHOUGH
18 NOW YOU SEEM TO BE MODIFYING THAT BUT THIS IS AIMED AT
19 AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIERS BECAUSE OF THE NEGATIVE MEDIA
20 ATTENTION THEY GET AND THE ACTIONS OF IRRESPONSIBLE OWNERS
21 WHICH BRAND THEM ALL AS DANGEROUS. NOW WE VISITED OUR LOCAL
22 ANIMAL SHELTER LAST SATURDAY AND TOOK A CENSUS OF WHAT DOGS
23 ARE ACTUALLY IN THERE AND WE THINK THAT WE ARE RESPONSIBLE AND
24 WE CAN DO THIS ACCURATELY BECAUSE WE PARTICIPATE IN MANY
25 UNITED KENNEL CLUB AND INTERNATIONAL RARE BREED ASSOCIATION



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1 SHOWS WHERE DOZENS OF BREEDS ARE INCLUDED. WE FOUND THREE
2 MALAMUTE OR AKITA MIXES, ONE LHASA APSA, ONE YORKSHIRE
3 TERRIER, THREE AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIERS AND 23 RETRIEVER AND
4 SHEPHERD MIXES. THIS WOULD NOT SEEM TO INDICATE THAT AMERICAN
5 PIT BULL TERRIERS ARE OVERBURDENING THE LOCAL ANIMAL SHELTER,
6 WHICH IS ONE OF THE CRITERIA HERE FOR MANDATORY SPAYING AND
7 NEUTERING. SO WHO IS GOING TO COUNT THESE DOGS TO DETERMINE
8 WHICH ONES ARE PUREBRED AND WHICH ONES ARE HALF BRED AND WHAT
9 TYPE THERE ARE? ARE THERE ENOUGH EXPERTS TO DO THIS? I DON'T
10 THINK SO. ANIMAL RIGHTS ACTIVISTS, IN THEIR INFINITE WISDOM,
11 WOULD LIKE TO GET RID OF AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIERS BECAUSE
12 THEY SAY THEY'RE IRREDEEMABLY AGGRESSIVE AND DANGEROUS. THEIR
13 IDEA OF HUMANE TREATMENT SEEMS TO BE WHAT?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. DO YOU WANT TO WRAP IT UP?

16

17 **JACOB SCHAFFER:** EXTERMINATION. YES, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE
18 THIS BREED CONTINUE TO BE ENJOYED BY THE PEOPLE WE KNOW ENJOY
19 THEM AS WE DO.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **JACOB SCHAFFER:** THANK YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WILLIAM BAKER AND BRET
2 GROSS. YES? YES.

3

4 **HERMINE STOVER:** I'M HERMINE STOVER. I'M SECRETARY OF
5 RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS OF THE WESTERN STATES AND, FOR 25
6 YEARS, I HAVE HAD PIT BULL DOGS AND THE AMERICAN STAFFORDSHIRE
7 TERRIERS. FOR THE 25 YEARS BEFORE THEN, ALTHOUGH I'M NOT OLD
8 TO DO THAT, I HAD AFGHAN HOUNDS AND I, TOO, HAVE A ROOM FULL
9 OF TROPHIES AND MANY FRIENDS WHO HAVE DOGS WHOM I PRODUCED,
10 LIFELONG FRIENDS, AND SO FAR NO FATALITIES, NO BITES, ONE
11 INJURY, ONE PERSON, A BRITTLE DIABETIC WHOSE LIFE WAS SAVED
12 WHEN THE PIT BULL DOG REALIZED THE MAN WAS NOT JUST SNOOZING
13 IN FRONT OF THE TELEVISION, HE WAS IN SOME SORT OF COMA. AND
14 EVERYBODY HERE HAS SOMEHOW MANAGED TO STEAL MY ACT. I MEAN,
15 YOU'VE ALL COVERED EVERYTHING THAT I WAS GOING TO SAY. ONE
16 THING IS THAT...

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST SAY AMEN.

19

20 **HERMINE STOVER:** I'M HAPPY ABOUT THAT! ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS
21 THAT I FOUND RATHER RECENTLY IS THAT, IN SPAYING A DOG, TRUE,
22 THEY DON'T GET CANCER OF THE TESTICLES, THEY DON'T HAVE
23 TESTICLES ANY MORE BUT THEY DO GET PROSTATE CANCER AND BLADDER
24 CANCER AT A MUCH HIGHER RATE THAN DOGS NORMALLY DO AND, AS FAR
25 AS SPAYING AND NEUTERING THEM, THEIR DISPOSITIONS DON'T



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1 CHANGE, THEY DON'T BECOME BENEVOLENT. I SEE THIS AS SOME SORT
2 OF DOG POGROM GENOCIDAL THING PARTIALLY DRIVEN BY COVERT
3 RACISM AND CLASSISM BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ALWAYS CITED AS
4 HAVING THESE DOGS, THE JAWS OF DEATH DOGS, ARE CALLED INNER
5 CITY YOUTH AND THE DOGS ARE SAID TO BE GUARDING THEIR DRUG
6 STASHES. I'M AN ARCHITECT. I'M A LANDSCAPER. I'M A POET.
7 WHATEVER I LOOK LIKE, I DON'T KNOW, BUT I DON'T KNOW ANY OF
8 THESE INNER CITY YOUTH WITH THEIR...

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **HERMINE STOVER:** ...DRUG STASHES BEING GUARDED BY MY DOGS.
13 THERE YOU GO.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BARBARA GROSS.
16 AND RANDY DELORTO.

17

18 **RALPH RODRIGUEZ:** I'M RALPH RODRIGUEZ. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF
19 GOLDEN STATE AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIER CLUB. IT IS SANCTIONED
20 BY THE AMERICAN DOG BREEDERS ASSOCIATION. WHEN I HEARD ABOUT
21 THIS NEW ORDINANCE THAT WAS TRYING TO BE PROPOSED HERE, BASED
22 ON THE FACT THAT OVERPOPULATION OF PIT BULLS AND ROTTWEILERS,
23 I VISITED THE DOWNEY ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY AND THERE THEY
24 HAVE THREE BUILDINGS THAT CONTAINED 40 KENNELS EACH. THE
25 MAJORITY OF THE KENNELS WERE SINGLE CONFINEMENT. THEY DID NOT



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1 HAVE MORE THAN ONE DOG IN EACH KENNEL, WITH THE EXCEPTION
2 WHERE THEY HAD SMALL DOGS OR PUPPIES. THERE THEY DID HAVE
3 MULTIPLE DOGS IN ONE KENNEL. THE KENNELS WERE SPLIT WITH AN
4 OUTDOOR AND INDOOR COMPARTMENT. THE INSIDE WAS FOUR FEET BY
5 FIVE FEET. THE OUTDOOR WAS FOUR FEET BY SIX FEET AND THIS WAS
6 JUST AN ESTIMATE BECAUSE I DID NOT HAVE A TAPE MEASURE WITH
7 ME. BUT, AT THAT FACILITY, THERE WAS ALSO SEVERAL KENNELS THAT
8 WERE VACANT. TO BE FAIR, I WENT TO ANOTHER FACILITY, THE
9 BALDWIN PARK FACILITY, AND THAT FACILITY HAS FOUR BUILDINGS
10 THAT HOUSE 48 KENNELS, THE SAME MEASUREMENTS ARE THE ONES IN
11 THE DOWNEY FACILITY. THERE, I ALSO FOUND VACANT KENNELS AT
12 THAT FACILITY. AT THAT ONE, I FOUND ABOUT 20 PIT BULLS THERE.
13 SOME OF THEM WERE PUPPIES, SOME OF THEM WERE FROM THE KATRINA-
14 - WHERE THEY'RE HOLDING THEM THERE, SO THEY WEREN'T ALL JUST
15 DOGS THAT WERE PICKED UP OFF THE STREET. I MANAGED TO ASK ONE
16 OF THE ATTENDANTS THERE, WHAT WAS THE CRITERIA FOR MULTIPLE
17 DOGS IN A KENNEL? AND HE SAID THE CRITERIA IS, IF THEY'RE
18 SMALL DOGS OR PUPPIES, THEN THEY HOUSE THEM IN MULTIPLE DOGS,
19 BUT, OTHER THAN THAT, LARGE DOGS ARE SINGLE CONFINEMENT
20 REGARDLESS OF THE BREED.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. RODRIGUEZ.

23

24 **RALPH RODRIGUEZ:** THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SHAY TUTTLE. SHAY TUTTLE. YES. YOU'RE
2 NEXT. YES, SIR.

3

4 **BRET GROSS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BRET GROSS. I'M A
5 MEMBER OF THE GOLDEN STATE ROTTWEILER CLUB AND SEVERAL OTHER
6 ROTTWEILER ORGANIZATIONS AND WE PARTICIPATE WITH ROTTWEILER
7 RESCUE. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT RESPONSIBLE OWNERSHIP OF
8 ROTTWEILERS, RESPONSIBLE BREEDING OF ROTTWEILERS AND OF ALL
9 BREEDS. WE ARE NOT INTERESTED IN SEEING ALL BREEDS BECOME
10 EXTINCT AND SO WE SUPPORT LANGUAGE IN WHATEVER LEGISLATION YOU
11 PROPOSE WHICH WILL ALLOW RESPONSIBLE OWNERS WHO CARE ABOUT THE
12 TEMPERAMENT AND THE HEALTH OF THE BREEDING STOCK THAT CAN
13 PRODUCE DOGS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS THAT WILL NOT BE A DANGER.
14 WE ARE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT OVERPOPULATION OF ALL ANIMALS AND
15 WE BELIEVE THAT MICROCHIPPING FOR ALL DOGS IS SOMETHING THAT
16 SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN YOUR ORDINANCE. A TWO-TIERED LICENSING
17 FEE THAT WOULD PLACE A GREATER BURDEN ON THOSE WHO CHOOSE TO
18 KEEP THEIR DOGS INTACT IS SOMETHING THAT MY HOME COMMUNITY
19 ALREADY DOES AND WE'RE MORE THAN WILLING TO COMPLY WITH A
20 REASONABLE INCREASED FEE FOR DOGS SUCH AS OURS. WE ONLY HAVE
21 ONE THAT'S INTACT. THE REST OF OUR DOGS ARE ALL SPAYED AND
22 NEUTERED. ALL OF OUR DOGS ARE MICROCHIPPED. THERE'S NEVER BEEN
23 AN INCIDENT WITH ANY OF OUR DOGS, EITHER WITH ANIMAL CONTROL
24 OR HEALTH ISSUES.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM. DIANE SILVER.

2 YES?

3

4 **BARBARA GROSS:** MY NAME IS BARBARA GROSS AND I'D LIKE TO GIVE
5 MY MINUTE TO JEREMY SCHUSTER.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TO WHO?

8

9 **BARBARA GROSS:** JEREMY SCHUSTER.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL UP CYNTHIA CASBY AS WELL.
12 JUST GIVE YOUR NAME.

13

14 **RANDYE DE LORTO:** MY NAME IS RANDYE DE LORTO. I'M A ROTTWEILER
15 OWNER, I'M A CODE OF ETHICS MEMBER AND I AM ACTIVE IN THE DOG
16 FANCY. THE MOST OF THE DOGS THAT DO HAVE ATTACK-- THAT HAVE
17 ATTACKED PEOPLE HAVE BEEN MIXED BREEDS. RARELY ARE THE
18 PUREBREDS INVOLVED. THE PEOPLE THAT ARE DOING THIS ARE THE
19 GANG MEMBERS, NOT THE RESPECTED PEOPLE OF THE COMMUNITY THAT
20 ARE IN THE SYSTEM AND THAT RESPECT THE SYSTEM AND THAT COMPLY
21 BY THE LAWS. WE NEED TO ENACT THE LAWS ALREADY IN PLACE. I
22 THINK IT WOULD BE GREAT IF, IN SOME WAY, WE COULD EVEN INCLUDE
23 CATS, BECAUSE CATS ARE-- THERE ARE MILLION CATS AND THOSE
24 PEOPLE GO TOTALLY UNPUNISHED. I MEAN, THEY-- THE MONEY THEY



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1 COULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE SYSTEM IS ASTRONOMICAL, AND YOU'RE--
2 THE ANIMAL CONTROL-- HOW MANY CATS DO YOU PICK UP?

3

4 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** WE PICK UP OVER 35,000 LAST YEAR.

5

6 **RANDYE DE LORTO:** THANK YOU. 35,000. OKAY. I THINK THAT IT'S
7 VERY DISCRIMINATORY TO ELIMINATE CAT OWNERS. I OWN CATS. I'M
8 MORE THAN HAPPY TO PAY LICENSING ON MY CATS AND THERE'S A
9 GRAVE LOSS OF INCOME FOR THE CITY BY NOT INCLUDING THAT. THANK
10 YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES. YES, MA'AM.

13

14 **SHAY TUTTLE:** I WAS GIVEN TO JEREMY FIRST.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SHAY TUTTLE:** MY NAME IS SHAY TUTTLE AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE
19 GOLDEN STATE ROTTWEILER CLUB. I'M ALSO ON THE BOARD OF
20 DIRECTORS FOR THE TRI VALLEY WORKING DOG CLUB IN THE ANTELOPE
21 VALLEY. MISS MAYEDA SAID THERE WAS NOT GOING TO BE ANYTHING
22 FOR GRANDFATHERING. MY PROBLEM WITH THAT IS THAT I HAVE OWNED
23 ROTTWEILERS FOR OVER 25 YEARS. I HAVE SHOWN AND COMPETED WITH
24 THEM. NOW, IF I HAVE A DOG THAT IS FIVE YEARS OLD AND IS NOT
25 SPAYED OR NEUTERED, IF I DO NOT DO THAT, THEN I AM GOING TO BE



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1 AGAINST THE LAW WHEN, YESTERDAY, I WAS OBEYING THE LAW, MY
2 DOGS ARE LICENSED, THEY ARE MICROCHIPPED, THEY ARE REGISTERED
3 WITH THE APPROPRIATE AGENCIES. SO I KIND OF FIND THAT HARD TO
4 UNDERSTAND WHY, IF I AM OBEYING THE LAW TODAY, HOW CAN I BE
5 ILLEGAL TOMORROW? THAT JUST DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE TO ME. MOST
6 OF US WHO ARE IN THE FANCY AND HAVE HAD DOGS FOR NUMBERS OF
7 YEARS. AND WE'RE ALL GOING TO BE IN PRETTY MUCH THE SAME
8 SITUATION. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **SHAY TUTTLE:** JEREMY, YOU'RE UP.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PAULA SHEPHERD. OKAY. YOU'RE NEXT.

15

16 **DIANE SILVER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DIANE SILVER AND I
17 LIVE IN LAKE LOS ANGELES, THE DUMPING GROUND OF CHOICE FOR...

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WAIT A SECOND. YOU'LL BE NEXT.

20

21 **DIANE SILVER:** I OWN AN INTACT MALE ROTTWEILER THAT I SHOW AND
22 A SPAYED FEMALE AND NEUTERED MALE. THEY'RE ALL LICENSED,
23 MICROCHIPPED AND KEPT IN MY HOUSE OR MY FENCED YARD. THEY'VE
24 HAD ALL THE RECOMMENDED HEALTH TESTS, EVEN THOUGH I'LL
25 PROBABLY NEVER BREED. I'M A MEMBER OF THE GOLDEN STATE



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1 ROTTWEILER CLUB AND THOSE ARE THE RULES WE AGREE ON WHEN WE
2 JOIN THE CLUB. IN THE MEANTIME, ALL THE PEOPLE WHO DON'T
3 LICENSE THEIR DOGS, DON'T VACCINATE, DON'T SPAY OR NEUTER AND
4 DON'T FENCE THEIR YARDS ARE MERRILY BREEDING TWO LITTERS OF
5 HEAVEN ONLY KNOWS WHAT MIXED BREED PUPPIES TWICE A YEAR AND
6 THE DUMPED DOGS WILL CONTINUE TO FORM PACKS AND PREY ON SMALL
7 DOGS AND CATS OR WILL BECOME COYOTE CHOW. IF THE OWNERS ARE
8 CAUGHT WITH THESE UNLICENSED DOGS, THEY'LL RELINQUISH THEM TO
9 ANIMAL CARE AND, THE NEXT TIME THERE'S A BOX OF PUPPIES IN
10 FRONT OF A LOCAL MARKET, THEY'LL GET ANOTHER ONE. YOUR BILL
11 WON'T STOP BREEDING. ONLY RESPONSIBLE BREEDING. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU AGAIN. YES, SIR.

14

15 **JEREMY SCHUSTER:** AGAIN, MY NAME IS JEREMY SCHUSTER AND ONE OF
16 THE POINTS THAT I WISH TO ADDRESS IS LOOKING AT WHY WE'RE
17 DOING THIS-- WHY WE'RE PUTTING THIS ORDINANCE IN AND WHAT WILL
18 HAPPEN AS A RESULT. ESSENTIALLY, IN A MEETING WITH DIRECTOR
19 MAYEDA, SHE'S VERY RESPONSIVE TO OUR CONCERNS BUT WAS THE
20 FIRST TO ADMIT THAT THE PEOPLE WHO LICENSED, WHO MICROCHIP,
21 WHO SOCIALIZE AND TRAIN THEIR DOGS ARE NOT PART OF THE PROBLEM
22 AND YET WE'RE THE GROUP, EVEN IF THIS IS ALL BREED, THAT'S
23 BEING ASKED TO PAY FOR THE OTHERS. IT SEEMS THAT, WHEN PEOPLE
24 SPEED ON THE FREEWAY, WE TICKET THOSE WHO ARE SPEEDING. WE
25 DON'T TICKET EVERY OTHER DRIVER GOING DOWN THE FREEWAY. SO



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1 WHAT WE ASK YOU TO DO IS TO APPLY YOUR CONSIDERATIONS JUSTLY
2 ACROSS THE BOARD. THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE GOVERNMENT FOR THE
3 PEOPLE AND THAT MEANS ALL THE PEOPLE. IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE
4 SINGLE OUT ONE GROUP, WHETHER IT BE BY BREEDS OR CONSENSUS OF
5 BREEDS, AND PUNISH THEM. WE ASK THAT THERE BE ADDITIONAL
6 PROVISIONS IN THE STATUTE, IN THE ORDINANCE THAT'S BEING
7 DRAFTED TO ALLOW FOR THE SHOW AND HOBBY BREEDER AND FOR THE
8 BOARD TO RECOGNIZE THAT EVERYONE IS A BREEDER. I COMPETE WITH
9 MY DOG IN AKC CONFORMATION EVENTS. WE'VE ALSO STARTED SHEEP
10 HERDING AND A NUMBER OF OTHER ACTIVITIES. I'M REQUIRED, FOR
11 PARTICIPATION IN THOSE EVENTS, TO HAVE AN INTACT MALE DOG BUT
12 THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'LL EVER BREED HIM. I'VE HAD SIX OR SEVEN
13 ROTTWEILERS AND NONE HAVE EVER BEEN BRED BUT I DON'T WANT MY
14 PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS, WHEN I'VE BEEN A LAW-ABIDING PERSON,
15 WHEN DIRECTOR MAYEDA SAYS I'M NOT PART OF THE PROBLEM AND MY
16 DOGS DON'T SHOW UP AT THE SHELTER, TO BE PUNISHED FOR THAT.
17 THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JENNIFER FREILICH AND WILLIAM HESS.

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21 **CYNTHIA CASBY:** MY NAME IS CYNTHIA CASBY. I LIVE IN BURBANK.
22 I'M A DOG BREEDER AND TRAINER, TOO. I'VE HAD COLLIES, WHICH I
23 LOVE AND TRAIN AND SHOW AND OCCASIONALLY BREED. THEY'RE A
24 WONDERFUL BREED OF DOG. AS FAR AS I KNOW, NO ONE HAS EVER
25 ACCUSED ANY OF MY DOGS OR ANY OF THE DOGS I KNOW OF BEING



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1 VICIOUS. I THINK YOUR GOAL OF TRYING TO REDUCE-- USING
2 SPAY/NEUTER LEGISLATION TO TRY TO REDUCE EUTHANASIA IS A VERY
3 NOBLE CAUSE. THAT'S A WONDERFUL THING TO DO. EVERYBODY THAT I
4 KNOW THAT BREEDS, SHOWS AND TRAINS DOGS THINKS THAT THAT'S A
5 GOOD THING TO DO, TOO. WE ASK ALL OF OUR PUPPY BUYERS TO SPAY
6 AND NEUTER. WE GIVE LIMITED REGISTRATIONS FOR OUR PUREBRED
7 DOGS, WHICH MEANS THAT THOSE PUPPIES CANNOT BE REGISTERED WHEN
8 WE THINK THOSE DOGS ARE NOT THE TYPE OF DOG WHICH SHOULD BE
9 BRED IN THE FUTURE AND THAT MEANS THEY CAN NEVER GET PAPERS,
10 THEY WILL NEVER BE PAPER DOGS. WE MICROCHIP OUR DOGS, WE
11 INSPECT THE HOMES. WE ARE YOUR FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE AGAINST
12 THE KIND OF PROBLEMS THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO SOLVE AND YET WE'RE
13 THE PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO BE PUNISHED THE MOST FOR IT. SO
14 THAT'S BEEN SAID BEFORE AND I THINK THAT THAT-- I JUST WANT TO
15 ECHO THAT. THE IDEA THAT YOU'RE GOING TO SPEND \$668,000 A YEAR
16 TO ENFORCE THIS WHEN YOU COULD SPEND THAT MONEY ON OTHER TYPES
17 OF THINGS. FOR EXAMPLE, TRAINING OWNERS, TEACHING PEOPLE TO BE
18 RESPONSIBLE. OFFERING TRAINING CLASSES TO THE PUBLIC. TRAINING
19 CLASSES COST 60 TO A HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR MOST PEOPLE TO TAKE
20 THEIR PUPPY TO PUPPY KINDERGARTEN. THINK OF HOW THAT MONEY
21 COULD BE SPENT. INSTEAD OF PUNISHING RESPONSIBLE BREEDERS AND
22 USING THAT MONEY INSTEAD TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION AND TEACH
23 PEOPLE HOW TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DOGS.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MARK CISNEROS. YES, MA'AM.



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2 **PAULA SHEPHERD:** MY NAME IS PAULA SHEPHERD AND I'M A PRIVATE
3 SERVICE DOG TRAINER. I WORK WITH ALL BREEDS OF DOGS. MY
4 SPECIALTY, MY INTEREST IS THE GUARD BREEDS, PIT BULLS,
5 SHEPHERDS, ROTTWEILERS. THERE'S NO MONEY TO BE MADE. I DO THIS
6 ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS BECAUSE SERVICE DOGS ARE NEEDED OUT
7 THERE. THERE'S NOT ENOUGH SERVICE DOGS FOR THE DISABLED PEOPLE
8 WHO NEED THEM. I'M NOT SURE IF I'M IN FAVOR OF ACROSS-THE-
9 BOARD REQUIRED SPAY AND NEUTER. PART OF ME LIKES THAT IDEA AND
10 PART OF ME DOESN'T. I HAVE ISSUE WITH THE CHARGES THAT WOULD
11 BE LEVIED AGAINST A PERSON FOR KEEPING THEIR DOG INTACT. MY
12 MALE SERVICE DOG HERE, HE IS AN INTACT MALE. I KEEP HIM INTACT
13 BECAUSE I COMPETE AT AKC EVENTS. MY DISABILITY KEEPS ME HOME.
14 I DON'T DO WELL IN SOCIAL SITUATIONS, I DON'T HAVE A LOT OF
15 ACTIVITIES THAT I CAN PARTICIPATE IN. THIS IS SOMETHING I CAN
16 PARTICIPATE IN AND EXCEL IN. IF I AM FORCED TO NEUTER MY DOG,
17 SOME OF THESE EVENTS, I'M NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE
18 IN. AND I THINK THAT'S ABOUT ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THE CHARGES
19 CAN BE A VERY BIG HARDSHIP TO PEOPLE WHO AREN'T NECESSARILY
20 BREEDING, THEY'RE JUST ENJOYING DOG EVENTS AND COMPETING.
21 THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. REUBEN MARTINEZ. REUBEN
24 MARTINEZ. AND TILO BRAR. YES, SIR. MA'AM.

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1 **JENNIFER FREILICH:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JENNIFER
2 FREILICH, AND I'M THE OWNER OF AT THE END OF YOUR LEASH DOG
3 TRAINING. I AM HERE AS A PROFESSIONAL DOG TRAINER WITH 10
4 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH ALL BREEDS OF DOGS. AS A
5 PROFESSIONAL DOG TRAINER, I SEE AGGRESSION IN ALL BREEDS. IT
6 IS MY JOB TO SAFELY REHABILITATE THESE DOGS AND TEACH THE
7 OWNERS HOW TO BE RESPONSIBLE WITH ALL BREEDS AND HOW TO
8 EFFECTIVELY FULFILL THESE DOGS IN ORDER TO MAKE THEM GOOD
9 CANINE CITIZENS. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE GENERIC DANGEROUS DOG
10 LAWS AS OPPOSED TO BREED SPECIFIC LAWS IN ORDER TO HOLD ALL
11 OWNERS EQUALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR DOG'S ACTIONS. THE FACT
12 IS ANY DOG CAN AND WILL BITE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES,
13 REGARDLESS OF BREED, AGE OR SEX. WHETHER YOU ARE DEALING WITH
14 AN AGGRESSIVE POMERANIAN, COCKER SPANIEL, LABRADOR OR
15 ROTTWEILER, THE INTENTIONS BEHIND THE AGGRESSION ARE EXACTLY
16 THE SAME. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS IN THE SUIT THE DOG WEARS.
17 ALL DOGS CAN BE PROPERLY TRAINED, REGARDLESS OF THE BREED. IT
18 IS CLEARLY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL OWNERS TO TEACH THEIR
19 DOGS WHICH BEHAVIORS ARE ACCEPTABLE AND WHICH ARE NOT.
20 PROPERLY SOCIALIZED DOGS WILL NOT REACT INAPPROPRIATELY TO
21 NORMAL EVENTS. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER TO MAKE
22 REASONABLY SURE HIS OR HER DOG IS NOT A DANGER, EVEN A
23 NUISANCE TO ANYONE IN THE COMMUNITY. THIS HOLDS TRUE NOT ONLY
24 FOR ROTTWEILERS AND PIT BULLS BUT POMERANIANS AN LABRADORS AS
25 WELL. I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF LEGISLATION THAT WAS NOT BREED



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1 SPECIFIC AND THAT HELD ALL OWNERS TO BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR ALL
2 THEIR DOGS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. JILL KESSLER MILLER.

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6 **WILLIAM HESS:** YES, AS YOU KNOW, I'M WILLIAM HESS AND I
7 REPRESENT DELTA RESCUE, THE LARGEST ANIMAL SHELTER IN THE
8 WORLD. AND A SPAY AND NEUTER ADVOCATE. I WILL LIMIT MY
9 REMARKS, BECAUSE OF THE EVENTS TODAY, TO FINANCIAL
10 MISMANAGEMENT ISSUES RESULTING IN INHUMANE AND DISCRIMINATORY
11 TREATMENT. IN DECEMBER, ANIMAL CONTROL ADMITTED THAT ITS
12 OPERATIONS ARE IN A SHAMBLES AND ASKED FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$6.6
13 MILLION OVER BUDGET. IN FACT, THE COUNTY BUDGET, UNDER
14 MAYEDA'S DIRECTION, HAS GONE FROM ABOUT 12 MILLION IN '01 TO
15 26 MILLION. SURPRISINGLY, HOWEVER, SHE STATES THAT THE AMOUNT
16 OF ANIMALS HAVE GONE DOWN THAT SHE CARES FOR. EUTHANASIA HAS
17 GONE DOWN. THE SYSTEM IS BROKEN AND NEEDS TO BE FIXED BEFORE
18 WE MOVE ON TO THESE OTHER ISSUES. DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL
19 CONTRACTS WITH 50 CITIES TO PROVIDE SERVICES. HOWEVER, DELTA
20 RESCUE HAS DISCOVERED THE DEPARTMENT FRAUDULENTLY PROVIDES
21 KENNEL ATTENDANTS, FECES CLEANERS, MASQUERADING AS OFFICERS TO
22 PROVIDE THE SERVICES, INCLUDING INJURED ANIMAL PICKUP. THE
23 CONDITIONS ARE POOR AS A RESULT. THE ANIMALS ARE NOT BEING
24 TREATED AND, IN ADDITION, THE CONDITIONS ARE SUCH THAT
25 PUREBRED DOGS ARE BEING LOST AND STOLEN. FINALLY, THERE'S A



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1 SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN REVENUE BECAUSE THE DIRECTOR HAS
2 FIRED APPROXIMATELY 50 DOG LICENSE CANVASSERS AND INSTITUTED A
3 MAIL CAMPAIGN TO ENFORCE NOT ONLY DOG LICENSING FEES BUT
4 RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATIONS. SO WHAT'S HAPPENED IS, IS
5 THAT THAT HAS NOT WORKED, THERE'S BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL DEFICIT
6 IN REVENUE AND THE CITIES ARE BEING OVERCHARGED AND THERE WILL
7 BE MORE NEWS ABOUT THAT. SO WE HOPE THAT, DURING THIS TIME
8 PERIOD IN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS, THESE ISSUES CAN BE ADDRESSED.
9 I WAS TOLD BY ZEV YAROSLAVSKY THAT I WAS GOING TO RECEIVE A
10 DETAILED RESPONSE FROM DIRECTOR MAYEDA. A RECEIVED A ONE-PAGE
11 LETTER THAT WAS A KISS-OFF. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

14

15 **MARC CISNEROS:** YES. MY NAME IS MARC CISNEROS AND I LIVE IN
16 PALMDALE AND BASICALLY I WANT TO REITERATE ON A COUPLE OF
17 ISSUES AND ONE OF THEM IS ACTUALLY I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE
18 GRANDFATHER CLAUSE BECAUSE, LIKE MYSELF AND MY PEERS BEHIND US
19 WHO ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY ORDINANCES, BASICALLY,
20 THE WAY WE SEE IT IS, IF THIS ORDINANCE DOES GO INTO EFFECT,
21 WE ARE GOING TO BE THE ONES WHO ARE GOING TO BE THE FIRST ONES
22 TO GET OUR DOORS KNOCKED ON, YOU KNOW? AT WHICH TIME WE DON'T
23 THINK IS FAIR, YOU KNOW? MOST OF US ARE VERY-- WE LOVE OUR
24 ANIMALS, YOU KNOW? IF NOT, WE WOULDN'T BE HERE, YOU KNOW, AND
25 OUR VIEWS ON THIS IS BREED LEGISLATION ISN'T GOING TO WORK



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1 BECAUSE WHERE WE LIVE, THERE IS A BIG DOG PROBLEM, YOU KNOW,
2 AND IT WILL GO UNDERGROUND. AND, AS YOU KNOW, THERE ISN'T
3 SUFFICIENT ANIMAL...

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S WHY WE INCREASED IT THIS COUPLE
6 MONTHS AGO BUT YOU'RE RIGHT.

7

8 **MARC CISNEROS:** AND I UNDERSTAND THAT, YOU KNOW, BUT, YOU KNOW,
9 THERE'S A BIGGER PROBLEM OUT THERE AND THAT NEEDS TO BE
10 ADDRESSED AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE TODAY.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR DRIVING DOWN. ROCHELLE
13 MONTGOMERY. ROCHELLE? YES, SIR?

14

15 **REUBEN MARTINEZ:** YES. MY NAME IS REUBEN AGUIRRE MARTINEZ. I
16 WOULD LIKE TO STATE-- FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU
17 FOR ALLOWING ME TO EXPRESS MY CONCERNS AND MY VIEWS IN REGARDS
18 TO THIS BREED-SPECIFIC LEGISLATION. AS A TAXPAYER AND AS A
19 REGISTERED VOTER, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE ANYTHING THAT CAN
20 IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF OUR ANIMALS AND THE EXISTENCE OF THESE
21 ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITY. LOOKING AT THE INFORMATION THAT I
22 RECEIVED IN REGARDS TO THIS BREED-SPECIFIC LAW, IT DOES NOT
23 ADDRESS THE ISSUES, IT DOESN'T GET TO THE CORE OF THE PROBLEM,
24 AND I BELIEVE IT'S GOING TO TURN INTO SOMETHING THAT'S GOING
25 TO BECOME NOT ONLY A FINANCIAL BURDEN ON THE RESPONSIBLE



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1 OWNERS, THE PEOPLE THAT LOVE THEIR PETS BUT I ALSO BELIEVE IT
2 WILL BECOME A FINANCIAL BURDEN ON THE COMMUNITIES. I HAVE SOME
3 FACTS HERE. BREED SPECIFIC LAWS IS COSTLY TO THE COMMUNITIES.
4 IN PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY, MARYLAND, THEY ESTIMATED IT COSTS
5 THEM \$560,000 OVER A TWO-YEAR PERIOD. BALTIMORE, MARYLAND,
6 ESTIMATED IT COST THEM \$750,000 PER YEAR TO HAVE BREED
7 SPECIFIC LEGISLATION. THEY HAD REVENUE LOSS. IT'S ALSO
8 UNCONSTITUTIONAL. BREED SPECIFIC LAWS DO NOT MAKE A COMMUNITY
9 SAFER AS THEY DON'T ADDRESS THE ROOT CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM AND
10 THAT'S THE IRRESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

13

14 **REUBEN MARTINEZ:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HELEN WEAVER. YES, SIR?

17

18 **TILO BRAR:** MY NAME IS TILO BRAR. I'VE OWNED AMERICAN PIT BULL
19 TERRIERS FOR OVER 15 YEARS. THE THING THAT I'M TRYING TO--
20 YOU'VE HEARD IT A FEW TIMES TODAY, WHAT I'M TRYING TO
21 REITERATE IS THIS IS ABOUT IRRESPONSIBLE OWNERS AND WHAT
22 YOU'RE PROPOSING IS GOING TO CAUSE AN ENFORCEMENT NIGHTMARE
23 FOR YOUR ANIMAL CONTROL AND YOU'RE GOING TO HIT THE PEOPLE
24 THAT ACTUALLY DO IT THE RIGHT WAY AND THE IRRESPONSIBLE
25 BREEDERS, YOU'RE GIVING THEM MORE OF AN INCENTIVE NOT TO DO



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1 THE RIGHT THING. SO WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS YOU'RE WASTING COUNTY
2 MONEY, YOU'RE STRESSING ONE OF YOUR GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS
3 AND THEN THE PEOPLE THAT ARE DOING THE WRONG THING CONTINUE TO
4 DO WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND THAT'S WHAT YOU GUYS NEED TO
5 REALIZE. YOU DON'T NEED TO THROW AWAY MONEY AND YOU DON'T NEED
6 TO ATTACK THE PEOPLE THAT DO REGISTER THEIR DOGS AND DO THE
7 RIGHT THING. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ROBERTO CARBAJAL.

10

11 **JILL KESSLER:** HI, MY NAME IS JILL KESSLER. I'M WITH GOLDEN
12 STATE ROTTWEILER CLUB AND ALSO ROTTWEILER RESCUE OF LOS
13 ANGELES, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT. AND I'VE BEEN LISTENING TODAY AND I
14 THINK THAT THERE'S REALLY TWO CONCERNS. ONE IS BREED,
15 OBVIOUSLY, SPECIFIC CONCERNS AND THE OTHER ONE IS PUBLIC
16 SAFETY. AND I THINK WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY, AS A RESCUER, I
17 MEAN, I WOULD LOVE IT IF I REALLY THOUGHT THAT THIS WAS GOING
18 TO SOLVE MY PROBLEMS. WE'RE STILL PUTTING DOWN A LOT OF DOGS
19 EVERY WEEK BUT I DON'T THINK IT WILL AND I SAY THAT FROM MY
20 HEART TO YOU. BUT, FOR PUBLIC SAFETY, I WOULD LIKE TO
21 ENCOURAGE YOU TO KEEP UP WITH FREE AND LOW COST SPAY AND
22 NEUTER PROGRAMS. GET US SOME MORE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS. I
23 HAVE TO TELL YOU, I LIVE IN PACIFIC PALISADES AND THERE ARE
24 LOOSE DOGS BUT THEY'RE LABRADOR RETRIEVERS AND GOLDEN
25 RETRIEVERS INSTEAD OF OTHER BREEDS OF DOGS. IN FACT, MY



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1 ROTTWEILER HAS BEEN ATTACKED NOW THREE TIMES BY LABS AND
2 GOLDENS. SO A LOT OF IT JUST EVEN HAS TO DO WITH THE AREA AND
3 THE BREEDS OF DOGS IN THOSE AREAS BUT, MORE THAN ANYTHING, I
4 WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE TEETH, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE THE PUN, FOR
5 BOB FERBER AT THE L.A.P.D. AND THE ANTI-CRUELTY TASK FORCE FOR
6 DOG FIGHTING BECAUSE, IF YOU BUST DOG FIGHTING, YOU'RE GOING
7 TO GET GANG MEMBERS, YOU'LL GET PROSTITUTION AND DRUG DEALING,
8 AND I REALLY THINK THAT THOSE PEOPLE ARE THE ONES WHO ARE
9 PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

12

13 **ROCHELLE MONTGOMERY:** HI. MY NAME IS ROCHELLE MONTGOMERY, AND I
14 WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR HEARING ME TODAY. I'M HERE
15 REPRESENTING MYSELF AND MY TWO CHILDREN. I HAVE GOT MY FIRST
16 PIT BULL WHEN I WAS 10. I'VE NEVER HAD A BITE PROBLEM, SHE'S
17 NEVER BIT ANYONE AND, SINCE THEN, THAT'S ALL I'VE OWNED.
18 THAT'S WHAT I RAISED MY KIDS WITH. I HAVE PICTURES OF THEM IN
19 THE BED WITH DIAPERS WITH THEIR PIT BULL AND IF ALL OF THESE
20 THINGS THAT YOU ARE ASKING ME TO CONFORM WITH, I CANNOT AFFORD
21 TO DO. I MEAN, FOR EXAMPLE, I PAY A 90-DOLLAR ELECTRIC BILL,
22 OKAY. THEN I THINK, OKAY, I OWE 30 BUCKS. I TURN AROUND AND
23 GET A BILL FOR \$180. HOW CAN I TURN AROUND AND THEN PAY ALL
24 THESE EXPENSIVE THINGS WHEN I'VE DONE NO WRONG? I DO NOT HAVE
25 A SCRATCH ON MY RECORD. MY DOGS ARE IN KENNELS. THEY'RE



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1 SURROUNDED BY BRICK WITH AN IRON GATE WHEN I GO IN THERE. WHEN
2 MY NINE-YEAR-OLD GETS HOME, SHE THROWS EVERYTHING TO THE WIND.
3 SHE'S OUT THERE WITH HER DOGS, HER PIT BULLS AND, OF COURSE,
4 I'M SUPERVISING EVERYTHING BECAUSE I'M A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER
5 AND I DON'T FEEL THAT I SHOULD BE PENALIZED FOR THE ACTION OR
6 INACTION AND TO EXPLAIN ACTION, THE ONES WHO WILLFULLY BREAK
7 THE LAWS, THE ONES WHO FIGHT THEIR DOGS. MY DOGS ARE PETS,
8 THEY JUMP IN THE BED, THEY'LL PUSH YOU OUT THE BED BUT, YOU
9 KNOW, THEY'RE MY PETS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT I-- IF I CAN'T AFFORD
10 TO KEEP ALL THREE OF THE DOGS THAT I HAVE NOW, I DON'T KNOW
11 HOW TO EXPLAIN TO MY LITTLE GIRL THAT THIS ONE HAS TO GO.
12 THAT'S THE ONE SHE FEEDS CHEETOS TO, THAT'S THE ONE SHE PLAYS
13 IN THE YARD WITH. WHO DO I GET RID OF? I SHOULDN'T BE FORCED
14 TO. I'M A GOOD RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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18 **ROCHELLE MONTGOMERY:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM?

21

22 **HELEN WEAVER:** I'M HELEN WEAVER AND I'M AGAINST MANDATORY SPAY
23 AND NEUTER. I THINK THE PROBLEM WILL STILL EXIST, EVEN WITH
24 ACROSS THE BOARD MANDATORY SPAY AND NEUTER. I THINK IT
25 PUNISHES THE INNOCENT AND LAW-ABIDING. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO



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1 SEE IS EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC, GO INTO THE SCHOOLS, TALK TO
2 THE CHILDREN, TEACH THEM ABOUT RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP AND
3 THEY'LL SHARE IT WITH THEIR PARENTS. PEOPLE WILL GO
4 UNDERGROUND AND THEY WON'T LICENSE THEIR-- AND VACCINATE THEIR
5 DOGS AND IT MAKES NO PROVISION FOR ALL OF US FANCIERS WHO WANT
6 TO DO THINGS WITH OUR DOGS, GOOD THINGS, TRAINING, EDUCATE AND
7 PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YOU'RE BATTING CLEAN-UP.

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11 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR. I WANT TO SAY THAT I'M HERE BECAUSE OF A
12 ROTTWEILER, I WAS STABBED AND, WELL, THE SITUATION WAS THAT
13 THE DOG SAVED MY LIFE. IT WAS A ROTTWEILER, PROFESSIONALLY
14 TRAINED IN ARIZONA. IT WAS SPAYED, IT WAS STERILIZED AND IT
15 AFFECTED ITS BEHAVIOR. LUCKILY, THIS PERSON STOPPED BECAUSE
16 THE DOG WAS THERE. HE WAS IN THE CAB OF MY TRUCK. WHEN I
17 OPENED THE TRUCK, HE THOUGHT THE DOG WAS GOING TO RUSH BUT THE
18 DOG INSTEAD LAID BACK. WHEN I TOLD THE OWNER, WHO IS, LIKE,
19 THE TOP BREEDER, I MEAN, TOP TRAINER IN ARIZONA, HE SAID IT
20 MUST HAVE BEEN BECAUSE HE WAS SPAYED. SO IT WILL AFFECT THE
21 DOG NEGATIVELY AS FAR AS PROTECTION AND THEN WHAT WILL HAPPEN
22 IS PEOPLE EXPECT THEIR DOG TO REACT AND PROTECT THEM IN A
23 CERTAIN SITUATION, IT MIGHT NOT HAPPEN. AS THE LADY SAID
24 BEFORE, IT'S NOT THE BREED OF DOG BUT THE BREED OF OWNER THAT
25 CAUSES THESE PROBLEMS. THEY PUSH THE DOGS INTO DEFENSE STRIKE



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1 BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW HOW TO TRAIN THEM AND BRING THE ANIMAL
2 OUT INTO-- IT'S A TRICK. WHEN THE DOG PROTECTS, IT'S A TRICK.
3 IT'S JUST A SIMPLE STIMULUS COMMAND IN RESPONSE TO STIMULUS
4 BUT YOU HAVE PEOPLE THAT GIVE THEM GUN POWDER AND DO ALL KINDS
5 OF-- I, AS A KID, GAVE MY DOG GUN POWDER BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW
6 HOW TO TRAIN HIM TO BE, YOU KNOW, TOUGH. SO YOU NEED TO JUST
7 TRAIN PEOPLE-- I MEAN TEACH PEOPLE HOW TO TRAIN THE DOGS AND
8 IT WILL BE GOOD FOR THEM AND IT WILL BE GOOD FOR THE ANIMALS.
9 AND DOGS PROTECT US, YOU KNOW, FROM BAD PEOPLE. THANKS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. MARSHA, THERE'S BEEN
12 INPUT TODAY. IF YOU'D TAKE THAT INTO YOUR CONSIDERATION WHEN
13 YOU BRING BACK-- IT WILL BE ON APRIL 25TH. AND SUPERVISOR
14 BURKE?

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** I DO THINK YOU SHOULD ADDRESS THE ISSUE IN TERMS
17 OF SHOW DOGS.

18

19 **MARSHA MAYEDA:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE'LL INCLUDE THAT.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TALKING ABOUT SHOW DOGS, TO ADDRESS
22 THAT ISSUE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** WHO CANNOT BE ALTERED. SO WE NEED TO-- I THINK YOU
2 NEED TO LOOK AT THAT, FIGURE OUT SOME APPROACH FOR DOGS WHERE
3 THEY ARE SHOW DOGS OR THEY INTEND TO BE SHOW DOGS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO, ON THE PRICE OF SPAYING AND
6 NEUTERING, IT HAS TO BE AFFORDABLE AND WE NEED TO SEE HOW WE
7 CAN MAKE IT AFFORDABLE SO THAT, AND, AGAIN, THE QUESTION, YOU
8 DON'T PENALIZE THE LAW-ABIDING FOR THE ONES WHO ARE BREAKING
9 THE LAW AND ABUSING THE LAW AND HAVING AN EDUCATIONAL
10 COMPONENT IS NECESSARY AS WELL. I WOULD HAVE YOU CONSIDER, ON
11 AN ASIDE, LOOKING AT BRINGING BACK, FOR 180 DAYS, RETIRED
12 ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS WHO COULD ASSIST IN THE ADDITIONAL
13 SWEEPS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING RECENTLY WITH THE NEW
14 PEOPLE THAT YOU'VE HIRED TO HELP WITH THAT EFFORT BECAUSE THE
15 SWEEPS HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVE AND THERE ARE MORE AREAS TO
16 CONTINUE THAT EFFORT TO ENSURE PUBLIC SAFETY. SO THAT WILL BE
17 CONTINUED UNTIL APRIL 25TH AND WE'LL HAVE A REVISION. SO THAT
18 THE PEOPLE WHO TESTIFY TODAY, IF THEY LEFT THEIR ADDRESSES
19 LEGIBLY, I MEAN, SOME OF YOUR NOTES LOOK LIKE DOCTORS'
20 PRESCRIPTIONS, BUT WE COULD SEND-- THE DEPARTMENT COULD SEND
21 YOU A COPY OF THE PROPOSAL SO YOU'D HAVE THAT AHEAD OF TIME,
22 OKAY? SO THAT'S THE ORDER. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SECONDED BY MS.
23 BURKE, SO ORDERED AND WE WILL CONTINUE ADJOURNMENTS WITH--
24 THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN-- FROM MR. KNABE, THEN WE HAVE TO
25 HAVE EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH THE SHERIFF.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, WE HAVE A COUPLE OF ISSUES LEFT ON THE
3 AGENDA.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OH, WE HAVE 17? I'M SORRY.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FEDERAL LEGISLATION...

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I THOUGHT WE HAD DONE-- I THOUGHT--
10 OKAY, 17. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE-- VERY BRIEF. I MOVE THAT THE
13 COUNTY'S FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE GOALS BE AMENDED TO ADD SUPPORT
14 FOR PROPOSALS TO MAINTAIN OR INCREASE FUNDING FOR SHELTERS,
15 HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS AND OTHER
16 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR HOMELESS VETERANS. FOLKS, COULD YOU
17 LEAVE QUIETLY, PLEASE? THANK YOU. SO THAT'S IT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT, ALSO, THAT D.C.F.S. PROVIDE
22 MANDATORY PRE AND POST-LICENSURE CERTIFICATION TRAINING TO
23 FOSTER AND ADOPTIVE CAREGIVERS. THE POST-LICENSURE
24 CERTIFICATION TRAINING INCLUDES OFFERING GANG AWARENESS AND
25 PREVENTION TRAINING. ADDITIONAL FUNDS SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE



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1 FOR CUSTOMIZED GANG DIVERSION AND GANG INTERVENTION PROGRAM
2 FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE AND THE PEOPLE WHO TOUCH THEIR
3 LIVES, INCLUDING POTENTIAL ADOPTIVE PARENTS, POTENTIAL MENTORS
4 AND OTHER CARING ADULTS. NOW, I HAVE ANOTHER MOTION FOR NEXT
5 WEEK THAT TIES INTO THAT, AND I WILL PASS IT OUT BUT,
6 BASICALLY, WHAT IT COMES DOWN TO IS THAT, IN 2005, A TOTAL OF
7 33 CHILDREN AND YOUTH WHO HAD A PRIOR REFERRAL HISTORY WITH
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICE DIED AS A RESULT
9 OF DRIVE-BY AND OTHER RANDOM SHOOTING--SHOOTINGS. 10 OF THE
10 33 CHILDREN AND YOUTH WHO DIED IN 2004. 23 OF THE 33 CHILDREN
11 YOUTH WHO DIED IN 2005 WERE IN OUR SYSTEM AND THESE ARE
12 CHILDREN WHO DIED FROM GANG VIOLENCE, NOT ALWAYS GANG MEMBERS
13 BUT EITHER GANG VIOLENCE, THEY WERE EITHER VICTIMS OR
14 PARTICIPATING IN GANGS. SO, BASICALLY, WHAT I THINK WE HAVE A
15 PROBLEM. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT GANGS, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT,
16 DISPROPORTIONATELY, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO ARE DYING OR
17 YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE DYING IN GANG VIOLENCE ARE-- UNDER OUR
18 DEPARTMENT, SO I'M PASSING THIS OUT FOR NEXT WEEK TO PROVIDE
19 MANDATORY TRAINING BY FOSTER PARENTS AND TO HAVE SOME KIND OF
20 PROGRAM TO AVOID THE PARTICIPATION IN GANGS AND THE VIOLENCE
21 BY OUR FOSTER CHILDREN.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** VERY GOOD. ALSO, I'D LIKE TO AMEND THE
24 LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL THAT, AT THE STATE LEVEL, WE SUPPORT



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1 INCREASED TREATMENT FOR THE MENTALLY ILL HOMELESS BE INCLUDED
2 IN THAT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD ALSO OFFER AN
5 AMENDMENT TO ITEM 17 THAT OUR GOALS BE AMENDED TO ADD SUPPORT
6 FOR LEGISLATION PROPOSALS AND/OR FUNDING FOR MENTORING OF OUR
7 FOSTER CHILDREN AS WELL, TOO.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE HAVE A MOTION BY YAROSLAVSKY,
10 SECONDED, AS AMENDED, BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, BURKE, MYSELF
11 AND KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, I'LL SECOND THAT, SO ORDERED.
12 OKAY. ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** YES. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I MOVE THAT WE
15 ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF MR. FRANK DEVOY, SR. MR. DEVOY
16 PASSED AWAY IN HIS HOME ON JANUARY 29TH AT THE RIPE YOUNG AGE
17 OF 100 YEARS AND 10 MONTHS. HE WAS A VERY FAMOUS RESIDENT OF
18 MANHATTAN BEACH AND LIVED THERE FOR ALMOST 60 YEARS. FOR THOSE
19 THAT KNEW HIM, HE WAS JUST A MAN WHO LED A VERY FULL, AND
20 ACTIVE AND HEALTHY LIFE. HE ENJOYED HIS WEEKLY VISITS WITH HIS
21 FAMILY, GOING TO CHURCH WITH HIS GRANDSON, HIS MONTHLY LUNCHESES
22 WITH HIS TEACHING COLLEAGUES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON,
23 FRANK, TWO DAUGHTERS, FRANCES AND POLLY, 10 GRANDCHILDREN AND
24 10 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
2 ORDERED. IS THAT IT? I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN
3 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PHIL KENT. HE WAS MY APPOINTEE
4 TO THE SENIOR COMMISSION. HE SERVED ON AGING FOR A NUMBER OF
5 YEARS, A REAL GOOD COMMUNITY LEADER. HE WAS THE PUBLIC
6 RELATIONS REPRESENTATIVE FOR WARNER BROTHERS STUDIOS PRIOR TO
7 HIS RETIREMENT, ACTIVE IN THE MASONIC LODGE AND THE AARP. HE
8 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, GLORIA. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
9 83. ROBERT LEWIS, BOB LEWIS, HOUSE OWNER PHILANTHROPIST WHO
10 WON TWO KENTUCKY DERBIES AND THE BELMONT AND MANY OTHERS,
11 PASSED AWAY.

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** I WANT TO BE ON THAT ONE.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GEORGE ZARTMAN, RESIDENT OF SAN
16 GABRIEL, WORKED FOR THE BRETT BANK OF AMERICA FROM 1935 TO
17 1981, IN CHARGE OF TWO OF THE WEST COVINA BRANCHES, WAS THE
18 PAST PRESIDENT DIRECTOR WITH THE WEST COVINA CHAMBER OF
19 COMMERCE, WAS THE WEST COVINA CITIZEN OF THE YEAR BACK IN '96,
20 QUITE INVOLVED WITH THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA. WILLIAM TABBER
21 GREG, II, A GOOD FRIEND, PASSED AWAY THIS WEEK. HE WAS THE
22 CHAIRMAN OF GOSPEL LIGHT WITH OFFICES IN CALIFORNIA, BEIJING,
23 CHINA, TULSA, OKLAHOMA AND OHIO. HE FOUNDED SEVERAL NONPROFIT
24 MINISTRIES DURING THIS LIFETIME. ROBERT WALKER OF SUNLAND,
25 TAHUGA, MEMBER OF THE LION'S CLUB AND GLENDALE ELKS. DONNA



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1 FEEDAMAN, RETIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AHMED
2 ADAIA, FOUNDER OF COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE IN SOUTHERN
3 CALIFORNIA. TOM NEWFONG OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. DR. RALPH RUDE,
4 WHO PASSED AWAY AT VALENCIA HOSPITAL, WAS A MANAGEMENT
5 DIRECTOR, WAS A LEADER IN THE U.S. ACHIEVEMENT DURING WORLD
6 WAR II. HE BROUGHT THE P-51 FIGHTER FROM DESIGN TO DELIVERY IN
7 119 DAYS. HIS CAREER SPANNED AEROSPACE HISTORY FROM WOOD AND
8 WIRE BIPLANES TO MOON EXPLORATION. FORMER PREMIER FOR THE
9 REPUBLIC OF CHINA, DR. SUNG WHO PASSED AWAY. WILMA PACKER,
10 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 97. QUITE ACTIVE IN THE LAS FELAS
11 AREA FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS WITH HER FAMILY AND WE ASK THAT WE
12 ADJOURN IN THEIR MEMORIES. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE.
13 WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR BURKE, ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?
14 YVONNE?

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
17 OF RETIRED STATE BAR COURT JUDGE CHRISTOPHER W. SMITH. HE
18 PASSED AWAY ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH. HE SERVED AS A U.S. ARMY
19 LIEUTENANT IN WORLD WAR II AND IN THE KOREAN WAR. HE RECEIVED
20 HIS LAW DEGREE FROM THE USC SCHOOL OF LAW IN 1957. HE SERVED
21 20 YEARS AS A CITY OF LOS ANGELES POLICE DETECTIVE. IN HIS
22 EARLY LEGAL CAREER, HE SERVED AS DEPUTY CITY PROSECUTOR FOR
23 THE CITY OF PASADENA. HE WAS ALSO DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR
24 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SERVING IN THE COMPTON OFFICE. HE
25 WAS A RETIRED STATE BAR COURT JUDGE, RETIRING IN 1993. HE



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1 SERVED ON VARIOUS-- SERVED WITH VARIOUS ASSOCIATIONS,
2 INCLUDING JOHN M. LANGSTON BAR ASSOCIATION, NATIONAL BAR AND
3 HE HAD BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE LANGSTON BAR ASSOCIATION WITH A
4 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY
5 HIS WIFE, PAULINE.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
8 ORDERED. ALSO FOR BARBARA LOU BARNES, WHO WAS A FORMER
9 PRINCIPAL AT MONTROSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. SHE WAS THE FIRST
10 FEMALE PRINCIPAL IN HER SCHOOL DISTRICT. SECONDED BY KNABE.
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. DOES SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAVE ANY
12 ADJOURNMENTS? IF NOT, WE WILL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
15 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-
17 1, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, DAVID E. JANSSEN, CHIEF
18 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND DESIGNATED STAFF.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M SORRY.

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22 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** I'LL FINISH READING THIS INTO THE
23 RECORD. AND CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
24 EXISTING LITIGATION AND IN RELATION TO A-4, CONFERENCE
25 REGARDING POTENTIAL THREATS TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES



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1 PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 TO CONSULT WITH
2 SHERIFF LEROY D. BACA.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. DARLENE MATTHEWS, KRISTEN OCHOA,
5 DR. KRISTEN OCHOA AND ROBERTO CARBAJAL AND YVONNE AUTRY.

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7 **KRISTEN OCHOA:** HI.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE YOUR NAME BEFORE YOU SPEAK.

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11 **KRISTEN OCHOA:** MY NAME IS KRISTEN OCHOA AND I'M THE DIRECTOR
12 OF THE LOS ANGELES OVERDOSE PREVENTION TASK FORCE. I'M A
13 PHYSICIAN THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT ON BY THE DRUG POLICY ALLIANCE
14 AND CLEAN NEEDLES NOW TO CREATE A PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP
15 TO PREVENT FATAL OVERDOSES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS YOU MAY
16 KNOW, FATAL OVERDOSES INCREASED ABOUT 73% IN THE STATE OF
17 CALIFORNIA. THEY EXCEED DEATHS FROM FIREARMS AND A.I.D.S. IN
18 LOS ANGELES, ACCORDING TO OUR CORONER, THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY
19 900 OVERDOSE DEATHS PER YEAR. THESE ARE PREVENTABLE DEATHS AND
20 THEY HAVE BEEN INCREASING STEADILY SINCE THE EARLY '90S. OUR
21 FIRST STEP TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM IS TO HAVE A SUMMIT ON
22 OVERDOSE PREVENTION ON MARCH 15TH FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
23 AT THE GRACE SIMMONS LODGE. I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU ALL, AS
24 WELL AS YOUR HEALTH DEPUTIES. WE ALREADY HAVE PARTICIPATION.
25 AS YOU KNOW, MAYOR ANTONOVICH FROM YOUR OFFICE, FROM A



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1 COMMISSIONER, WHO WILL BE THERE AS WELL AS THE L.A.P.D. WE'LL
2 HAVE COMMUNITY AND TREATMENT PROVIDERS PRESENT. AND I ALSO
3 WANTED TO CALL ATTENTION TO SOME AREAS THAT ARE VERY HIGH IN
4 TERMS OF FATAL OVERDOSES IN OUR COUNTY. MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AS
5 YOU KNOW, ANTELOPE VALLEY IS VERY HIGH. SUPERVISOR
6 YAROSLAVSKY, ON THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, IS NUMBER ONE.
7 SUPERVISOR BURKE ON SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND SUPERVISOR KNABE,
8 THE SOUTH BAY. THOSE ARE ALL THE HIGHEST AREAS FOR OVERDOSE
9 FATALITIES IN LOS ANGELES. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION AND
10 I INVITE YOU TO OUR SUMMIT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. DARLENE MATTHEWS.

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14 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** HI. I HAVE HAD MAJOR PROBLEMS GETTING
15 ASSISTANCE BECAUSE I HAVE MULTIPLE DISABILITIES AND I'M IN AN
16 AB-2034 PROGRAM AND THEY'RE GOING TO EVICT ME TOMORROW WHILE I
17 HAVE TO BE IN ORANGE COUNTY...

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT DOES THAT PROGRAM DO?

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21 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS
22 PROGRAM AND THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO-- IT'S A HOMELESS PREVENTION
23 PROGRAM, AND IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE-- IT'S A STATE-FUNDED PROGRAM
24 AND IT'S SUPPOSED TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO PREVENT
25 HOMELESSNESS, AND I HAVE FOUGHT WITH THEM THE WHOLE TIME.



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1 PATIENTS' RIGHTS HAS BEEN TRYING TO HELP ME BUT THEY EVEN-- I
2 MEAN, THESE PEOPLE ARE SO TERRIBLE. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO DO
3 THIS WHOLE INDIVIDUALIZED PLAN AND I'VE BEEN-- I'VE BEEN IN
4 THIS CRISIS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM SINCE HALLOWEEN. THERE'S NO
5 PLAN. AND THEY'RE GOING TO EVICT ME AND THEY DID THIS LAST
6 WEEK AND I KEEP CALLING FOR MEETINGS AND THEY PULL THINGS AND
7 THEN THEY WROTE THIS THING AND THEY WEREN'T GOING TO TAKE ME
8 AT ALL TO SOME APPOINTMENTS I NEEDED HELP TO GET TO UNLESS I
9 SIGNED THIS.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHERE IS YOUR SHELTER RIGHT NOW?

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13 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** THEY HAVE ME AT THE TRAVELODGE, WHICH IS,
14 LIKE, OUTRAGEOUSLY EXPENSIVE IN CULVER CITY BUT I'M FROM
15 PASADENA AND, IN FACT, MELODY HAS HELPED ME ON MANY ISSUES
16 BEFORE BUT LIKE I HAVE THIS THING FROM MY CHURCH, I WAS DENIED
17 SHELTER THERE FOR YEARS BECAUSE OF MY PHYSICAL DISABILITY. I
18 LOST MY CAR, MY LICENSE WAS THREE DAYS OVERDUE AND THEY WERE
19 JUST WAITING AND THEN I SLEPT UNDER BUILDINGS AND I'M VERY ILL
20 AND NOW THEY'RE DOING MORE WORKUPS, I HAVE M.S. OR A.L.S., OR
21 WHATEVER, THEY DON'T KNOW. I GOT MY SECTION 8 AND THEN I LOST
22 IT, THEY DIDN'T...

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN WE JUST HAVE SOMEONE FROM THE DEPARTMENT HELP
25 HER?



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2 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** THE THING IS, I KEEP-- I KEEP...

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW BUT WE WILL MONITOR THE CASE NOW.

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6 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** BUT AM I EVICTED TOMORROW?

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, WE CAN'T PREVENT THAT FROM HAPPENING.

9 YOU'RE GOING TO BE EVICTED FROM THE MOTEL?

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11 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** BY THE PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM IS NOT...

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT. THERE

14 IS SOMEBODY HERE FROM D.P.S.S. THAT CAN LET US KNOW. THERE

15 MUST BE A REASON AND A RATIONALE.

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17 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** D.P.S.S. DOES NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO

18 WITH...

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS IS ALL MENTAL HEALTH?

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22 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** RIGHT. D.P.S.S. DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY SOCIAL

23 SERVICES TO DISABLED PEOPLE. AND THAT'S-- THERE IS NO SOCIAL

24 SERVICES FOR DISABLED PEOPLE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THIS MENTAL HEALTH? ALL RIGHT, WHERE IS ANYONE
2 FROM THE DEPARTMENT?

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4 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** THAT'S A PART OF THE PROBLEM.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE CAN'T NEGOTIATE IT FOR YOU NOW. WE CAN'T
7 PREVENT YOUR EVICTION, EITHER.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE CAN GET SOMEBODY FROM THE...

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S RIGHT. WE CAN GET SOMEBODY FROM THE
12 DEPARTMENT TO HELP YOU.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MENTAL HEALTH IS NOT HERE RIGHT NOW.
15 THERE'S NOBODY FROM MENTAL HEALTH? OKAY. I THOUGHT WE HAD A
16 DIRECTIVE THAT NO DEPARTMENTS WOULD LEAVE UNTIL THE BOARD WENT
17 INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION. WE HAD DONE THAT AND WE NEED TO
18 REACQUAINT THE DEPARTMENTS THAT THEY HAVE TO HAVE
19 REPRESENTATIVES HERE.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY HAVE AN EMERGENCY NUMBER. WE CAN CALL IT
22 RIGHT AWAY AND GET SOMEBODY TO COME HERE. WE WILL GET
23 SOMEBODY.

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1 **DARLENE MATTHEWS:** I GAVE UP MY-- AND THIS IS ANOTHER THING
2 THAT HAPPENS TO DISABLED PEOPLE, IS I SCHEDULED A RIDE TO GO
3 BACK AT 4:30. NOW I'M STRANDED HERE IN ORDER TO TRY TO GET
4 THIS HELP. IT'S LIKE, WHATEVER I DO, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING HERE, EITHER.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, MY CHIEF OF STAFF IS COMING DOWN
9 RIGHT NOW, KATHERINE BARGER. SHE'LL BE RIGHT HERE. SO GO OVER
10 THERE AND SHE'LL MEET YOU AT THE SITE. SHE'S COMING DOWN.
11 OKAY. YES, ROBERTO.

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13 **ROBERTO:** THIS IS THE REALLY WHY I WAS HERE, ABOUT THE SHOOTING
14 THAT HAPPENED IN CHINO A COUPLE WEEKS AGO BY A SHERIFF'S
15 DEPUTY ON A HUMAN, ALEO CARRIO. I WAS HOPING TO MAYBE GET SOME
16 WORDS FROM THE BOARD ON THIS. I KNOW IT'S NOT IN YOUR
17 JURISDICTION.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH. WE DON'T-- I DON'T HAVE ANY
20 INFORMATION. I'M NOT SURE THE OTHERS, BECAUSE IT WASN'T IN OUR
21 JURISDICTION BUT...

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23 **ROBERTO:** THIS THING, YOU KNOW, COVERS ALL SPECTRUMS BECAUSE
24 PEOPLE ARE WATCHING THIS. THIS MAN IS FREE, HE'S ARMED. HE'S A
25 MURDERER. THIS IS THE MOST INCREDIBLE THING I'VE EVER SEEN. IF



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1 I COULD JUST PLAY YOU THIS TAPE OF THIS WOMAN SPEAKING TO THE
2 DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WE WERE OUT THERE. WE'LL GO AND BE HOLDING
3 CANDLELIGHT VIGILS AND I'M HOPING YOU CAN HEAR IT. CAN I JUST
4 PLAY YOU ABOUT 30 SECONDS?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

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8 **ROBERTO:** THANK YOU.

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10 **FEMALE VOICE:** THE TAXPAYERS OF CALIFORNIA DOES NOT PAY THE
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO GO AROUND SHOOTING PEOPLE. WE PAY OUR
12 TAXES TO BE PROTECTED AND WE'RE NOT BEING PROTECTED. WE'RE
13 BEING VIOLATED, WE'RE BEING VIOLATED... (UNINTELLIGIBLE) FALSE
14 IMPRISONMENT, WE'RE BEING VIOLATED BY THAT OFFICE THAT'S
15 SHOOTING THIS GUY WHEN HE WAS DOWN-- (UNINTELLIGIBLE) OVER
16 THERE IN BAGHDAD, OVERSEAS IN THAT WAR, FOR HIS COUNTRY. NOW
17 WHAT ARE WE DOING? WE GOT TO GET UP AND I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY
18 SAY... (UNINTELLIGIBLE)... TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL BECAUSE IF
19 HE'S NOT THERE, I GUARANTEE THAT WE WILL MAKE A MARCH AND WE
20 WILL MAKE THIS OFFICER GO TO JAIL. HE'S GOING TO HAVE TO PAY
21 FOR YOU. WHEN HE PUTS PEOPLE, INNOCENT PEOPLE IN JAIL AND DOES
22 THIS TO PEOPLE, HEY, PUT HIM DOWN TO JAIL, TOO. HE DOESN'T
23 HAVE A RIGHT TO SHOOT PEOPLE.

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25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.



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2 **ROBERTO:** ALSO THERE'S STEVEN FIGUEROA, WHO'S WORKING ON THAT.
3 MY PHONE NUMBER, 213-622-0858, TRYING TO GET SOME PEOPLE OUT
4 THERE FOR SUPPORT, TRYING TO GET ATTORNEY GENERAL TO TAKE OVER
5 THE CASE.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, ROBERTO.

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